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HISTORY

OF THE RELATIONSHIP AND DESCENDANTS

OF

JACOB AND CATHERINE HORNER

IN THE UNITED STATES

FROM 1777 TO 1914

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PREFACE

There are quite a number of different methods followed in compiling or presenting in writing a family history.

We have taken for a basis the following plan, which we will state here, so that the reader may not become confused.

Begining with the parents, then the eldest of the children and so on down, with a record of births, marriages and deaths of children and grandchildren and even great-grandchildren, down to the present day, all in order of births, completing the entire list of his or her descendants.

Where exact dates are not known the word about or perhaps is used, very frequently.

INTRODUCTION

It has been remarked that almost anyone could trace back the history of his ancestry for at least four or five generations, with tolerable accuracy.

We have not, however, attempted so much, for we well know we would not succeed in such an undertaking.

But in this little contribution to the history of the Horner family, we may perhaps with the assistance of others prepare a volume that will be satisfactory within its limits.

We must depend for facts upon the assistance of others, who can tell us of their children or other relatives, contemporary with them.

We seek not only dates but some information regarding personal appearance of some one, his manners, habits and peculiarities.

Then the difficulty thickens, and we must be content to get the merest glimpses and with the less important incidents of the life.

In some cases it is quite difficult to get any information, as perhaps all who lived in the time of the ancestor have passed away. Also, families in this country become so widely sep-

arated that in time the descendants are entirely unknown to each other and are as widely separated in feeling as in location.

It is a lamentable fact that in some families brothers do not know the whereabouts of each other.

We have, however, found only a few who are to each other and us unknown.

Separation leads to estrangement and forgetfulness and finally to total indifference.

Young people rarely feel much interest in tracing their family history. It is only when the evening shadows begin to appear that they feel like trying to trace the long line of ancestry which has preceded them, how and when they lived, and what they did, and when they died.

We are glad to state in these introductory remarks that our forefathers were mostly Christian people. Quite a number were known in early days by the name of Brethren and later as German Baptists or Dunkards, as they are usually called.

About the year 1887 a division occurred in this church, which created three different factions: (1) Old Order church, (2) Conservative or German Baptist, (3) the Progressive element which adopted the original name of Brethren.

We give the names as we find them or as they are given to us from family records.

The writer of this history, some eight years ago, became much interested seeking out his relatives, whence they came and where they are, and we became more interested as we pursued the subject.

But little did we think that we should go so far as to compile even this fractional part of what might be written of the Horner Family.

We only regret that no one as yet has undertaken to write a full history of the Horner Family, beginning with the first immigration from Germany, whence our foreparents came. Such a history would be interesting and very desirable and doubtless would be quite costly.

We have tried only, with the assistance of others, to write a small history of the descendants of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner, who were grandparents of the writer.

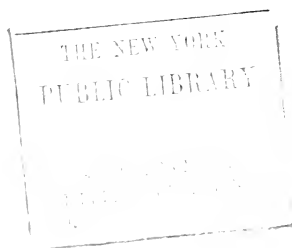
We are surprised to find that even this small undertaking is a far greater work than we are able to rightly accomplish, for family records have not been fully or rightly kept and in some instances have been lost or destroyed. We began the collection of records in the latter part of 1913 or the beginning of 1914, and instead of finding a small number of rela-

tives, as we imagined, we have discovered a family of seven or eight hundred or more, who are scattered through sixteen or more states of the Union.

The writer has in his possession a history of the Keagy family, the author of which, Franklin Keagy, was twenty-three years in compiling. It is a complete and very interesting history of that family from 1715.



First Horner Reunion, at home of Milton Horner, LaGrange county, Ind., August 14, 1908



CHAPTER ONE

IN a history of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, we find the name Horner, as of a citizen of that county, and the writer is glad to state, in the beginning of this history, that the person there referred to was the father of Jacob Horner, whose descendants are given in this volume, he being the great-grandfather of the writer.

The Westmoreland county history says that Abraham Horner came from eastern Pennsylvania (in perhaps 1791), a place called Bloody Run, and lived near Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county, the last four years of his life, and died about the year 1795.

The history further says that Abraham Horner was the father of four sons and one daughter. There is, however, no account of the burial of Abraham Horner, a sad omission which makes it more difficult to begin, as nothing marks his resting place.

This is all that we find regarding Abraham Horner in the Westmoreland county history, except that it gives the names of his sons:

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|-------------------------------|------------|
| 1. William. | 2. Daniel. |
| 3. David. | 4. Jacob. |
| One daughter, name not given. | |

We do not attempt to trace the descendants of any of these four sons except Jacob, in this volume—excepting a brief account of one of William's sons, given in the latter part of this book, Chapter Thirteen, as the reader will find.

These four sons all married in Pennsylvania and raised their families in Somerset and Westmoreland counties, except Daniel, who, in early life, left Pennsylvania and went to Indiana, to what part the writer does not know. The daughter, we have been told, was married to a Mr. Hoger.

From the date given of the birth of Jacob Horner we may infer that these four sons and one daughter were born about 1765 and later.

JACOB HORNER

We find in the Westmoreland county history that Jacob Horner was a citizen of Mount Pleasant township; that he was a native and a resident of one of the eastern counties of Pennsylvania until he came of age, after which he emigrated to Somerset county, and subsequently removed to Mount Pleasant in Westmoreland county, where he died.

Jacob Horner died June 25, 1844, at the age of 67 years. He was born in the year 1777,

in one of the eastern counties of Pennsylvania. The history further says that Jacob Horner was a member of the German Baptist church, was an old time Whig, and a well respected citizen of his adopted township. He married Catherine Beeghly, with whom he had six sons and four daughters. No date is given of the marriage of Jacob and Catherine Horner, but we are safe in putting it perhaps 1799.

Mr. Horner was the owner of a fine farm of over two hundred acres, located something over a mile east of the city of Mount Pleasant, on the Cumberland and Pittsburg pike. He purchased this farm in 1797 or perhaps 1798, and in this home they raised their large family of ten children. Mr. Horner was a progressive farmer in his day. He constantly kept his farm in good cultivation by rotation and enriching the soil. Besides farming he planted several good size orchards. The brick building he erected is still standing.

Jacob Horner became quite wealthy and at his death left a large dowry to his children. A portion of the farm was underlaid with coal, which has of late sold at three hundred or four hundred dollars per acre.

The names of the children of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner are:

1. Susanna Horner.
2. Samuel Horner.
3. John Horner.
4. Catherine Horner.
5. Christena Horner.
6. David Horner.
7. Elizabeth Horner.
8. William Horner.
9. Eli Horner, father of the writer.
10. Moses Horner.

Catharine (Beeghly) Horner, born 1783, died March 24, 1863, aged eighty years, eleven months; was laid to rest in a cemetery near Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, at the side of her husband.

born in 1798. After their marriage they located in the valley between Chestnut Ridge and Laurel Hill, in Westmoreland county, where they lived on a farm near Jones Mills, that being a very productive part of the valley in that early day. There was born to their union four children—one son, three daughters.

Andrew Kolp died January 28, 1868, aged 70 years. Susanna Kolp died March 4, 1871, aged 70 years.

These two parents are buried side by side in a little cemetery near Jones Mills. Their children's names are:

1. William Kolp.
2. Elizabeth Kolp.
3. Catherine Kolp.
4. Lydia Kolp.

William Kolp was born October 12, 1831, near

10. Moses Horner.

CHAPTER TWO

SUSANNAH HORNER, born March 4, 1801, was the eldest daughter of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner. She was born and raised in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, near Mount Pleasant. She married Andrew Kolp of Westmoreland county, who was born in 1798. After their marriage they located in the valley between Chestnut Ridge and Laurel Hill, in Westmoreland county, where they lived on a farm near Jones Mills, that being a very productive part of the valley in that early day. There was born to their union four children—one son, three daughters.

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1. William Kolp.
2. Elizabeth Kolp.
3. Catherine Kolp.
4. Lydia Kolp.

William Kolp was born October 12, 1831, near

Jones Mills. He married Margaret Wadsworth and there were born to them two sons:

1. Wesley Kolp.
2. William Kolp.

Wesley Kolp was born March 28, 1855, in Westmoreland county, near Jones Mills. He married Lizzie Darr, and three children were born to them:

1. Annie Kolp.
2. Florence Kolp.
3. Ira Kolp.

The mother of these children died September 12, 1886, after which Mr. Kolp married Calla Ullery, and they had two children:

4. Edward Kolp.
5. Ella Kolp.

1. Annie married William Bruner of Westmoreland county, and they had four children, names not given.

2. Florence married Daniel May and they had four children.

3. Ira married Annie Howard of Westmoreland county and they had two children.

4. Edward, unmarried.

5. Ella married Jeremiah Barnhart of Westmoreland county.

2. William Kolp, junior, was born May 15, 1857, near Jones Mills in Westmoreland county.

It is said that he was an unusually bright boy and intelligent young man. Having educated himself, he taught school for a number of years, after which he was employed by a wholesale house, and while so occupied he was caught in a railroad wreck and instantly killed, near Connellsville, Pennsylvania, December 23, 1903. He was married to Ellen Ullery, June 6, 1877, and they had nine children:

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| 1. Lloyd Kolp. | 6. Bertha Kolp. |
| 2. Lawrence Kolp. | 7. Viola Kolp. |
| 3. Margaret Kolp. | 8. Clyde Kolp. |
| 4. Maud Kolp. | 9. Earl Kolp. |
| 5. Katherine Kolp. | |

1. Lloyd married Margaret Wolf, and to them was born one son, Charles Kolp, in Westmoreland county.

2. Lawrence married Edith Smith of Westmoreland county.

3. Margaret, unmarried.

4. Maud married John Springer and to them were born two children:

1. Jean Springer.
2. J. D. Springer.
5. Katherine, unmarried.
6. Bertha married Walter Grand.
7. Viola, married Fred Howard.

8. Clyde, unmarried.

9. Earl, unmarried.

Lloyd, Lawrence and Margaret graduated at Lewisburg college.

2. Elizabeth Kolb was born December 8, 1833, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, the eldest daughter of Andrew and Susanna (Horner) Kolp. She married Daniel Laws, who died about a year later, after which a child was born to them: 1. Feura Laws, who died at the age of about seven years.

The widow was afterward married to Jacob Sheets of Westmoreland county, and three children were born to them:

1. Annie Sheets.

2. Ella Sheets.

3. Nettie Sheets.

1. Annie married Samuel Bungard of Fayette county, Pennsylvania, September 25, 1888. He was born July 22, 1852, in Fayette county and was by occupation a carpenter.

Annie (Sheets) Bungard was born November 12, 1864, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania. They have no children of their own, but have an adopted daughter, Ada M. Bungard, born November 10, 1897. Mr. and Mrs. Bungard reside in Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, 147 Church street

2. Ella Sheets, born June 22, 1866, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, married William Osterwise, January 23, 1889, and five children were born to them:

Ella Osterwise, died January 17, 1905.

1. Mabel A., born November 17, 1895.

2. Samuel, born February 5, 1899.

3. Ethel, born December 10, 1904.

4. Mintie, born at Mount Pleasant.

3. Nettie Sheets, born July 29, 1868, married John D. Garhart, June 25, 1888. They have four children:

1. Daisy, born March 10, 1889.

2. Josie, born in 1893.

3. Otto, born December 26, 1895.

4. Otman, born perhaps in 1897, resides at home in Donegal.

1. Daisie married Warden Echard and they have one child:

1. Brice Echard, a son of the sixth generation.

Catherine Kolp, born February 29, 1836, in Westmoreland county, near Jones Mills; married William M. Miller of the same county, who was born in Saltlick township, Fayette county, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Miller was a farmer and the owner of a very productive farm, on which they lived for

many years. Six children were born to them:

1. Anna E. Miller.
2. A. J. Miller.
3. N. J. Miller.
4. Minne Miller.
5. Hattee Miller.
6. William Emerson Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller were members of the Brethren church and remained faithful until death called them home. They are laid side by side in a cemetery on their own farm home, near Jones Mills.

Anna E. Miller, born September 7, 1859, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, was the oldest daughter of William M. and Catherine (Kolp) Miller. The writer can well recall the time he first met this cousin, in the home of her parents, in the year 1872, and again in 1907 and in about 1911 she came to visit in the writer's home in LaGrange county, Indiana.

She married Otho M. Brown, September 20, 1877. He was born January 11, 1854, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania. At the present time, 1914, they are living at Ada, Ohio, 518 North Main street, and engaged in the dairy business. They left Pennsylvania April 1, 1909. To them five children were born:

1. Ollie Kate Brown, born May 7, 1879, near

Donegal, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania.

2. William Miller Brown, born July 12, 1881, near Donegal.

3. Elmer Hubbs Brown, born May 1, 1884, in Westmoreland county.

4. Winnie May Brown, born October 20, 1886, near Donegal.

5. Anna Ruby Brown, born November 2, 1903, near Scottdale, Westmoreland county.

1. Ollie Kate Brown married Frank C. Brown, and they are located near Dunkirk, Ohio.

2. William Miller Brown married Odessa Goetlge and they are located at Canal Dover, Ohio. Mr. Miller graduated at Leech's business college, Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

3. Elmer Hubbs Brown married Miss Emma Hanselman and they are located at Detroit, Michigan. He is a graduate of Leech's business college at Greensburg and of the Ohio Northern University.

4. Minnie May Brown, married Charles Earl Wilkinson and they reside at Detroit, Michigan. She is a graduate of the high school at Scottdale, Pennsylvania.

5. Anna Ruby Brown, at home with her parents at Ada, Ohio.

2. A. J. Miller, born in Westmoreland county,

near Jones Mills, married Anna Hofelt, and had one child, which died in infancy.

They live two miles west of Jones Mills, where they own a farm. The writer and wife enjoyed a visit with these kind friends in 1907. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are practical farmers and enjoy the farm life. They are also to some extent engaged in the dairy business. They have their farm well improved. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are members of the Brethren church.

3. N. J. Miller, born February 14, 1861, in Westmoreland county, the second son of William M. and Catherine (Kolp) Miller. He was married October 3, 1883, to Etta A. Hayo. She was born March 5, 1861. To their union were born seven children. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are members of the Brethren church. They are living at Jones Mills, where Mr. Miller has been engaged in the mercantile business, with success, for a number of years. Their children are:

1. Maude Miller.
2. John H. Miller.
3. Ray W. Miller.
4. Katherine Miller.
5. Luther M. Miller.
6. A. J. Miller.
7. Earnest Miller.

1. Maud Miller, born March 20, 1885, in the

county of Westmoreland, married Walter Pearson of Jersey City, New Jersey, June 3, 1912. They are, we presume, located at Jersey City, where Mr. Pearson is in business. Mrs. Pearson is a graduate of Ashland College, Ohio.

2. John H. Miller, born April 22, 1887, in Westmoreland county, near the foot of Laurel Hill. Is a graduate of Ashland College, also the University of Pittsburg, Engineering School,

3. Ray W. Miller, born April 29, 1890, the second son of N. J. and Etta A. Miller, graduate of Ashland College, married Miss Willie Brant, April 27, 1912, who died November 24, 1912.

4. Katherine Miller, born October 9, 1892, in Westmoreland county, at Jones Mills, is the second and youngest daughter of N. J. and Etta A. Miller. She is well educated and a teacher in the public schools.

5. Luther M. Miller, born November 1, 1895, in Westmoreland county, is a student in the high school in Jersey City.

6. A. J. Miller, born May 8, 1898 in Westmoreland county. The sad news reaches us in January, 1915, that this promising young man, while out hunting, received a wound from which he died on December 14, 1914, aged sixteen years, seven months and eleven days.

7. Earnest Miller, born May 24, 1905, at Jones

Mills, the youngest of the children of N. J. and Etta A. Miller. The writer can well recall being at the parents' home when Earnest was only two years old, and now he is going to school and will in a few years complete his education.

4. Minnie Miller, born in Westmoreland county, daughter of William M. and Catherine (Kolp) Miller, died in infancy.

5. Hattee Miller, daughter of William M. and Catherine (Kolp) Miller, died in infancy.

6. William Emerson Miller, born February 22, 1875, in Westmoreland county, near Jones Mills, is the youngest child of William M. and Catherine (Kolp) Miller. He grew up to manhood in his father's home, and graduated at Central State Normal School at Lock Haven, in 1896, after which he taught school for some years. He married Bertha Etta Porch, July 27, 1898. She was born July 22, 1876, near Kecksburg, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Miller owns a good and productive farm of nearly one hundred acres, two miles west of Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county, which he has named Greenlief Valley Farm, where, we presume he and his family are now living. They have two children:

1. Eugene Porch Miller.
2. Evelyn Lucretia Miller.

1. Eugene Porch Miller was born September 28, 1900, near Mount Pleasant. We presume Eugene is in school, getting a good education so that when he is grown to manhood he may select any business he desires to engage in.

2. Evelyn Lucretia Miller, born March 1, 1903, in Westmoreland county. Evelyn Lucretia, you have a beautiful name, why not a beautiful and industrious girl and a helpful young lady in the home. The writer has been sent many beautiful names to record in this history. In our early days, names for little girls were usually Annie or Anna, Elizabeth, Catherine, Mary, Sarah and some Hannah. There is honor not so much in the name as in the character. A good character is beautiful and more valuable than pearls, you know, Lucretia.

4. Lydia (Kolp) Miller was born November 25, 1838, in Westmoreland county. She is the youngest daughter of Andrew and Susanna (Horner) Kolp, and the only one of the family yet living. She married James M. Miller in 1863. He was born August 16, 1840, in Westmoreland county, and died March 25, 1903.

Their six children are as follows:

1. Lemmon Miller, born June 5, 1865, in Westmoreland county, is the eldest son of James M.

and Lydia Miller, was married to Emma Sheets, December 23, 1888, and they reside a mile and a half north of Jones Mills.

Four children were born to them:

1. Daisie Miller.
2. Emory Miller.
3. Ruth Miller.
4. Russell Miller.

1. Daisie married Isaac Kolp, August 4, 1910, and four children have been born to them:

1. Ruth Kolp.
2. Hazel Kolp.
3. Ray Kolp.
4. Harry Miller Kolp.

2. Adax Miller, born May 5, 1868, in Westmoreland county, near Jones Mills, died September 14, 1870.

3. Anna Miller, born March 16, 1870, in Westmoreland county, married Joseph Davis, May 10, 1891. Joseph Davis died September 19, 1905. One child was born to them:

1. Flora Davis, born April 5, 1908.

The second marriage of Anna (Miller) Davis was to Wesley Bitner, and three children have been born to them.

1. Ruth Bitner, died at six months of age.
2. Dortha Bitner.
3. Infant daughter, not yet named.

Mr. and Mrs. Bitner reside at Scottsdale, Pennsylvania.

4. Harry Miller, son of James M. and Lydia Kolp Miller, born September 10, 1872, in Westmoreland county, near Jones Mills, married Adah Sheets, September 29, 1898. They reside one mile and a half west of Jones Mills. They are members of the Church of the Brethren. Their children are two:

1. Goldie Miller.
2. Jay Miller.

5. Iva Miller, born September 20, 1874, in Westmoreland county, married Luther Porch in February, 1898, no issue.

6. Lettie Miller, born April 19, 1877, in Westmoreland county, near Jones Mills, the youngest daughter of James and Lydia (Kolp) Miller. She married Robert Douglass in June, 1898, and four children have been born to them:

1. Iva Douglass, died at age of three years.
2. Mazie Douglass.
3. Lawrence Douglass.
4. Russell Douglass.

CHAPTER THREE

SAMUEL HORNER, oldest son of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner, was born September 10, 1803, near Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. He was reared on his father's farm as a farmer, obtaining only a meagre schooling, though perhaps sufficient for farming pursuits in that day. As the reader well knows, in that early day boys did not receive a great amount of education in the common or free school, as only two to three months of school was held in the district or country schools.

Also, in the early days, there was much hard work to be done on the farm by the boys and young men, that kept them out of school.

Farms were to be cleared up and timber made into rails to fence the farm into fields, taking, perhaps, a whole year to fence ten or fifteen acres. Today, a roll or two of wire is all that is required and in a few days a field is fenced. Now, the boys need not be kept from school, neither need they be much concerned with the care of the farm. Seven to nine months of school are open to the boys, and they may give all their time and mind to their studies. If

the reader will look back one hundred years he will observe a vast difference from today.

Mr. Horner, when of mature age, was married on May 17, 1829, to Martha Miller of Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. She was born December 18, 1806.

There were born to them five children. They lived on a large and productive farm about two miles northwest of Mount Pleasant. Samuel Horner was an industrious man and accumulated quite a bit of wealth, constantly keeping his farm in good condition. On his farm was a large brick house, which he perhaps erected.

Both he and his wife were members of the German Baptist church. In politics he was a Republican.

Martha Horner died May 13, 1845, at the age of thirty-nine years less three days. The second wife of Samuel Horner was Mrs. Anna Horner, the widow of Daniel Horner.

Samuel Horner lived to be quite an old man. He died August 9, 1885, aged eighty-one years, ten months and twenty-nine days.

Two children were born to his second marriage—Anna and David—who were reared in the home and doubtless had the same advantages as the first children.

Anna, second wife of Samuel Horner, was

born March 25, 1822, in Myersdale, Somerset county, Pennsylvania. She was a member of the German Baptist church. She lived to the age of nearly eighty years, and was buried in a cemetery one mile east of Mount Pleasant.

Samuel Horner is buried by the side of his first wife in a small burying ground about two miles northwest of Mount Pleasant.

His good spirit is gone to God who gave it.

The writer, in years gone by, greatly enjoyed the affection of this good old uncle and aunt, meeting with them in their own lovely home.

Children of Samuel Horner:

1. Jacob Horner.
2. George Horner.
3. Elizabeth Horner.
4. Eli M. Horner.
5. Catherine Horner.

By second wife:

6. Anna Horner.
7. Daniel M. Horner.

1. Jacob Horner, son of Samuel and Martha Horner, was born March 30, 1830, and at this date, January, 1915, is yet in the land of the living, in his eighty-fifth year. He married Anna Loucks, April 15, 1855. She was born November 23, 1834, and lived near Mount Pleas-

ant. Eight children were born to them, three sons and five daughters. Jacob Horner was a farmer like his father, a Republican in politics and he and his wife were members of the German Baptist or Dunkard church. About the year 1856 Jacob Horner and wife migrated to Ashland county, Ohio, and settled near the town of Savannah. After living there on a small farm for a number of years, they moved to Wood county, Ohio, where Jacob Horner had bought a good eighty acre farm, where the town of Bloomdale was afterward located, following the building of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad through that region.

The writer helped to move them.

In this Wood county farm home Jacob Horner and his wife raised their large family of children. When he bought it, the farm was valued at fifteen to twenty dollars an acre. Now it is held at \$125 to \$150 an acre. On this land Mr. Horner and his family did much hard work. Finally they sold or traded it to Daniel M. Horner, taking a forty acre farm located one mile east of Bloomdale, where the son, Samuel, is employed by the railroad to attend the pump station. On this farm Jacob Horner and wife are still living, provided for by their son, John, who is single and lives with them.

1. Catherine M. Horner, eldest daughter of Jacob and Anna Horner, was born June 7, 1856. She grew up a helpful girl in the home, ever ready to assist in anything within her power to do, and a lively and jolly "kid." The writer can well recall the time when, she with him, they used to romp together and roll down the steep, green lawn. Ah, the good old days when we were young! Time has swiftly gone by, "but fond recollection still presents them to view—the orchard, the meadow, the deep tangled wildwood, and every loved spot that our infancy knew."

Catherine M. Horner was married, May 31, 1877, to Benjamin Franklin Markle of Wood county, Ohio, and four children were born to them.

1. Elijah Cody Markle, son of Benjamin F. and Catherine M. Markle, was born April 23, 1878. He married Lida Hamlin, January 7, 1905. Their four children are:

1. Volney Robert, born August 6, 1905.
18, 1858.
 2. Gladys Irvin, born May 14, 1907.
 3. Herman Franklin, born February 15, 1912.
 4. Carlos Jasper, born November 10, 1913.
2. Irvin Markle, son of Benjamin F. and

Catherine M. Markle, born September 27, 1881. He married Flo Ditto, November 25, 1908, and they have one daughter:

1. Dorothy Irene, born December 20, 1912.

3. William Trenton Markle, son of Benjamin F. and Catherine Markle, born May 21, 1889; married Flossie Pelton, January 4, 1912, and they have one child:

1. Robert Trenton, born June 30, 1913.

4. Bertha Ann Markle, daughter of Benjamin and Catherine M. Markle, was born June 15, 1893.

2. Sarah Elizabeth Horner, daughter of Jacob and Anna Horner, was born February 18, 1858.

The writer is prompted to give a word of praise for these daughters of Jacob, who all grew up obedient and helpful children. We well remember when Elizabeth, with her parents, would come to spend the day with the writer's parents, in the old home in Ohio. She was a stout and robust girl, and, like her sister Catherine, always ready for fun. She married Jacob Mincks of Wood county, Ohio, November 27, 1879. He was born December 17, 1848, near Orville, Wayne county, Ohio, is a farmer, and lives about five miles west of Bowling Green. Two sons have been born to them:

1. Cloyce James Mincks, son of Jacob and Sarah Elizabeth Mincks, was born May 8, 1892, He has been appointed secretary of the next Horner Reunion and is interested in having the reunion held in Wood county, in the near future. We hope he may succeed in his plans and he may depend upon the Hoosiers to attend.

2. A son who died in infancy.

3. Maria Horner, daughter of Jacob and Anna Horner, was born January 8, 1861. She is, perhaps, her mother's favorite daughter. She grew up in the home a helpful girl, with a common school education. She married Oliver Billingsley of Wood county, January 25, 1880. He was born April 15, 1856. To their union were born three children, Forly, Minnie and Ralph.

Forly Billingsly, son of Oliver and Maria Billingsly, was born May 28, 1880. He married Nelle Dotterer, February 9, 1907. She was born February 21, 1883. Four children were born to them—Samuel, George, Charles and Robert.

Minnie Billingsly was born September 26, 1883. She was married November 27, 1906, to Charles Laibe, born September 20, 1885.

Ralph Billingsly, son of Oliver and Maria Billingsly, was born September 8, 1883.

4. Mary Louisa Horner, daughter of Jacob and Anna Horner, was born September 6, 1863,

She grew up in the home of her parents, a bright and useful girl, with the advantage of schools. She married Charles A. Garver, who was born March 14, 1858, in Germantown, Pennsylvania. To them were born eleven sons:

1. Harley J.
2. Mark Ellsworth.
3. Lloyd B.
4. Clayton Lawrence.
5. Jesse Lucius.
6. Charles Albert.
7. Lester Lorane.
8. Lawrence Adrian.
9. Luther Calvin.
10. Raymond Gaylord.
11. Virgil Clifford.

1. Harley J. Garver, son of Charles A. and Mary Louisa Garver, was born August 9, 1882, at Bloomdale, Wood county, Ohio. He died — leaving, besides his widow, one son:

1. Gaylord Raymond, born November 8, 1907, at Findlay, Ohio.

2. Mark Ellsworth Garver, born November 1, 1884, at Bloomdale, Ohio. He was married at mature age (name of wife not given) and had three children:

1. Frances Garver, born March 23, 1907.
2. Arthur Garver, born September 27, 1908.
3. Robert L. Garver, born August 2, 1913.

All born at Marion, Ohio.

3. Lloyd B. Garver, born January 21, 1890, at Bloomdale, Ohio.

4. Clayton Lawrence Garver, born January 21, 1890, at Bloomdale, Ohio.

5. Jesse Lucius Garver, born January 30, 1892, at Bloomdale, Ohio.

6. Charles Albert Garver, born April 17, 1895, at Bloomdale, Ohio.

7. Lester Lorane Garver, born October 22, 1897, at Bloomdale, Ohio.

8. Lawrence Adrian Garver, born March 17, 1899, at Bloomdale, Ohio.

9. Luther Calvin Garver, born November 1, 1901, at Findlay, Ohio.

10. Raymond Gaylord Garver, born May 6, 1904, at Findlay, Ohio.

11. Virgil Clifford Garver, born February 2, 1908, died February 2, 1908, Findlay, Ohio.

5. Alice Ann Horner, daughter of Jacob and Anna Horner, was born March 21, 1866, in Wood (perhaps Ashland) county, Ohio.

Alice Ann, the youngest daughter, no doubt had the same advantages in the home as had the older sisters, with sufficient schooling for any undertaking she might desire.

She was married, July 23, 1887, to Charles E. Baker, of Wood county, who was born December 15, 1862, at Dover, Indiana.

Charles E. Baker and his family reside in Bloomdale, Ohio, where he has been engaged for some time in mercantile business, with much success. His son, Ernest A. Baker, is associated with him in the store, which is a very fine one. Mr. and Mrs. Baker have a very

handsome dwelling in the town of Bloomdale, and we presume are enjoying life as the days go by.

Three children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Baker:

1. Ernest A. Baker, son of Charles E. and Alice Ann Baker, was born February 12, 1888. He was married November 15, 1910, to Marie DeLoe, and they have one daughter:

1. Oletha Vida, born December 18, 1911.

2. Bessie A. Baker, daughter of Charles and Alice Ann Baker, was born August 30, 1890, at Bloomdale, Ohio. She married Albert L. McPherson, and they have one son:

1. Charles Ross, born October 11, 1913.

3. Victor E. Baker, son of Charles E. and Alice Ann Baker, was born July 21, 1896, at Bloomdale, Ohio. Victor, the youngest son of the family, has doubtless acquired a good education and fitted himself for a successful life. The writer wishes much success to Victor.

6. Samuel Horner, son of Jacob and Anna Horner, was born August 17, 1869, in Wood county, Ohio, near Bloomdale.

Samuel grew up an honor to his parents, an industrious boy, ever ready to help father and mother in the work on the farm and wherever his hands found something to do.

He was married April 15, 1897, at or near

Bloomdale, to Dora Ann Hile, who was born July 19, 1875, in Westmoreland county Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Horner are located at Bloomdale, Ohio. He is employed by the Baltimore & Ohio railroad to tend the pump station east of Bloomdale, as heretofore stated.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Horner have had three children—1, Herschel Lewis; 2, Nina Lonia; 3, Kenneth Leroy, deceased.

1. Herschel Lewis Horner, son of Samuel J. and Dora Ann Horner, was born April 16, 1901, at Bloomdale, Ohio, a bright young man and an industrious student in school.

2. Nina Lonia Horner, daughter of Samuel J. and Dora Ann Horner, was born December 24, 1903, at Bloomdale, Ohio. She is a promising and industrious girl and a student in school.

3. Kenneth Leroy Horner, son of Samuel and Dora Ann Horner, was born February 10, 1909, and died April 12, 1909.

Our life on earth—short indeed it may be;

Perhaps soon our darling in heaven we'll see.

On earth we continue to toil and to labor,

But our darling has crossed to the crystal sea.

7. John Franklin Horner, son of Jacob and Anna Horner, was born near Bloomdale, Ohio, May 20, 1872.

John is living the single life. He owns the

old home and is caring for his aged parents. He is a practical farmer and has his farm in good condition with good improvements. It is located nearly two miles east of Bloomdale, in sight of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

8. Albert Horner, son of Jacob and Anna Horner, was born April 6, 1878, near Bloomdale, Ohio. He was married March 9, 1903, to Pearl St. Clair of Wood county, Ohio, who was born March 18, 1884. Mr. Horner is living on a farm near the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, about six miles west of Fostoria; is an up-to-date farmer, tilling a rich and productive farm, and keeps quite a good grade of stock on the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Horner have four children:

1. Evert Edward Horner, born April 8, 1907.
2. Elmer Levorn Horner, b. October 12, 1908.
3. Garald Oscar Horner, b. July 18, 1910.
4. Mildred Amelia Horner, b. Sept. 17, 1912.

2. George Horner, son of Samuel and Martha Horner, was born September 18, 1832, near Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. When a bright boy of twelve years he was called by death, September 18, 1844.

3. Elizabeth Horner, daughter of Samuel and Martha Horner, was born September 3, 1833, near Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania. She grew up in the home, a comfort and help to her parents. When she came of age she, in com-

pany with a friend, came to Ashland county, Ohio, where she was employed in the household of the writer's parents. She was married, December 27, 1857, at Ashland, Ohio, to Jonas Beeghly, of that city, who was born May 16, 1834, in Somerset county, Pennsylvania.

They moved to Seneca county, Ohio, and purchased a farm, on which they lived for a number of years, after which they sold the farm and, with their children, migrated to the state of Kansas in the year 1883.

In Kansas Mr. Beeghly bought a farm, on which they lived until the death of Mrs. Beeghly, May 10, 1905, in Montgomery county, after which Mr. Beeghly rented his farm. He made several trips back to the old Beeghly home in Ashland, Ohio. The writer is informed that he died October 18, 1913, in Montgomery county, Kansas, at the home of his daughter, Emma Fredman.

Mr. and Mrs. Beeghly were members of the German Baptist church.

There were seven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Beeghly, of which two were still born, and one died in infancy:

1. Ezra J. Beeghly, son of Jonas and Elizabeth Beeghly, was born December 28, 1866, at or near Republic, Seneca county, Ohio. He grew up in the home of his parents, receiving a good education, and was married, February 22, 1894,

to Miss Ida Foft, at Kingsley, Iowa. He moved to Iowa in 1888 and located in Marshall county and later in Woodbury county, where Mr. Beeghly bought a very beautiful and productive farm five miles south of Kingsley. He has valuable improvements and with the help of his boys farms quite extensively. He and Mrs. Beeghly are members of the Church of the Brethren.

Four children have been born to their union:

1. Eldred S. Beeghly, b. January 19, 1896.
2. Milford M. Beeghly, b. February 9, 1898.
3. Peryl G. Beeghly, b. December 1, 1899.
4. Dale E. Beeghly, b. February 2, 1903.

2. Samuel H. Beeghly, second son of Jonas and Elizabeth Beeghly, was born March 24, 1869, near Republic, Seneca county, Ohio. In boyhood he moved with his parents to Kansas. He was married February 16, 1898, to Jennie Hart, at State Center, Iowa. Their home is near Independence, Kansas.

Five children have been born to them, all born in Towner county, North Dakota:

1. Emery Beeghly, b. October 6, 1901.
2. Alva Beeghly, b. May 26, 1904.
3. Lester Beeghly, born July 26, 1908.
4. Leslie Beeghly, b. July 26, 1908.
5. Elza Beeghly, b. March 25, 1910.

3. Frank S. Beeghly, son of Jonas and Elizabeth Beeghly was born July 12, 1872, in Sen-

eca county, Ohio. When a small boy he accompanied his parents to Montgomery county, Kansas. He is unmarried.

4. Emma E. Beeghly, daughter of Jonas and Elizabeth Beeghly, was born July 15, 1877, in Ohio. She was married January 24, 1907, to Daniel A. Fredman, who was born June 13, 1865, near Springfield, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Fredman have two children:

1. Marie H. Fredman, b. November 20, 1908
 2. Floyd M. Fredman, b. November 18, 1911
- Both born near Independence, Kansas.

4. Eli M. Horner, third son of Samuel and Martha Horner, was born April 14, 1841, near the city of Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania. He was reared on his father's farm and was an agriculturist after reaching manhood. He was married, March 12, 1863, near Mount Pleasant, to Hannah Fulkerth, who was born January 1, 1842, at Mount Pleasant. About the year 1867 they moved to Wood county, Ohio, where Mr. Horner bought forty acres of land. After they had lived on this farm a number of years they sold it, and about the year 1885 moved with their family to Wilson county, Kansas, and Mr. Horner bought a farm of good size near Fredonia, the county seat. They lived there and farmed for some years and then moved to Fredonia, and, several years later, to Monmouth, Kansas, shortly after which Mr. Horner sick-

ened and died, August 24, 1906, at Monmouth. He was sixty-five years and seven days of age.

Hannah Horner, his wife, after his death lived with her daughter a short time, and died September 8, 1907, near Fredonia, Kansas.

There were born to their union five sons and one daughter:

1. Alpheus Henry Horner, b. August 17, 1864.
2. Edwin, born same date, twins, died September 28, 1864.
3. Anna Elizabeth, b. October 24, 1865.
4. Charles, born July 16, 1868.
5. Andrew Jay, born July 28, 1873.
6. Frankie, born June 28, 1876, died September 29, 1876.

1. Alpheus Henry Horner, oldest son of Eli and Hannah Horner, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and accompanied his parents to Ohio, and later to Kansas. He was married about 1889 to Alice Brandeberry, of Wood county, Ohio. They lived in Fredonia, Kansas.

3. Anna Elizabeth Horner, the only daughter of Eli and Hannah Horner, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and moved with her parents to Ohio and later to Kansas. She was reared in the home of her parents, and was married, June 29, 1887, to Samuel Heryford of Fredonia, Kansas. Mr. Heryford is an up-to-date farmer in the "Sunflower State." After

farming as tenants for some years, they have bought a farm near McCune, Kansas, where they now reside in a comfortable farm home.

Mr. and Mrs. Heryford have five children:

1. Ethel Hannah, born July 13, 1888.
2. Omer L., born May 24, 1890.
3. Nora Lee, born July 13, 1895.
4. Myrtle B., born May 25, 1898.
5. Vada Nancy, born December 1, 1901.

1. Ethel Hannah Heryford, eldest daughter of Samuel and Anna Elizabeth Heryford, was born in Kansas, was reared at home and given a good education, and was married, April 6, 1910, to Samuel A. Barnett.

2. Omer L. Heryford, only son of Samuel and Anna E. Heryford, was born in Kansas. Omer, being your father's only boy, you must be his joy. We will hope to hear of you that you are making the best of life.

3. Nora Lee Heryford, second daughter of Samuel and Anna E. Heryford, was born in Kansas. The writer believes that she is teaching in the public schools.

4. Myrtle Heryford, daughter of Samuel and Anna E. Heryford, was born in the "Sunflower State" and is one of the brightest girls of which the state is proud.

5. Vada Nancy Heryford, youngest daughter of Samuel and Anna E. Heryford, was born

near Monmouth, Kansas. The writer well remembers his visit at the Heryford home, when Vada and her mama accompanied him to the train when he left. Miss Vada, when a pupil in the sixth grade, won the gold medal for the best speller in the county common school contest.

4. Charles Horner, the third son of Eli and Hannah Horner, was born July 16, 1868, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, near Mount Pleasant. He moved with his parents to Ohio and later to Kansas, settling near Fredonia. As a young man he was a hero in the work of a new country and his education was obtained in the common schools.

He was married May 7, 1890, to Miss Minnie Brandt, who was born December 15, 1868. She died August 13, 1911, aged forty-two years, seven months and twenty-eight days.

Four children were born to this union. The family has resided for a number of years at Pittsburg, Kansas, 606 West Kansas avenue, and Mr. Horner is in mercantile business at that city.

The names of the children, all born in Kansas, are as follows:

1. Ralph H., born May 4, 1891.
2. Bertha M., born June 5, 1895.
3. Virda R., born April 15, 1901.
4. Charles Kenneth, born March 22, 1906.

5. Andrew Jay Horner, son of Eli and Hannah Horner, born July 28, 1873, in Wood county, Ohio, is the fourth son and youngest of the children. He was married in 1890, in the state of Kansas, to Miss Chrissie Damewood, and nine children have been born to them, as follows:

1. Alpha Horner.
2. Beatrice Horner.
3. Byron Horner.
4. Max Horner.
5. Ray Horner.
6. Roxie Horner.
7. Gertrude Horner.
8. Anna Belle Horner.
9. Boyde Horner.

These nine children are of the fifth generation of the descendants of Jacob and Catherine Horner, and if they ever read this record they can thank their good aunt, Anna E. Heryford, by whom the information is given.

5. Catherine Horner, daughter of Samuel and Martha Horner, was born August 27, 1844, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, near Mount Pleasant. She grew up a helpful girl in the home of her parents. After she came of age she, in company with her cousin, Miss Anna Shupe, went to Ashland county, Ohio, to visit relatives. Miss Shupe returned later to Pennsylvania, but Miss Horner seemed to like Ohio and remained with her friends there. Septem-

ber 25, 1864, she was married to Mahlon Beeghly of Ashland, Ohio. He was born in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, August 7, 1840.

Soon after their marriage they bought a farm in Seneca county, Ohio, near Republic, where they lived until 1882, when they sold the farm and moved to Marshall county, Iowa. In 1898, they moved with their family to the vicinity of Cando, North Dakota, and in 1910 they made their home at Raisin, California, moving thence to Badger, California, near the mountains, where they bought a home and now reside.

In 1866 the writer visited these kind relatives when they yet lived in Ohio—forty-eight years ago—and little did he think then that he would be writing of their family history. Mr. and Mrs. Beeghly are members of the Church of the Brethren. Mr. Beeghly has followed farming as his occupation and in his frequent moving must have enjoyed a varied and profitable experience.

Six children were born to them, all during their residence in Ohio, as follows:

1. Clara Alice Beeghly, born July 7, 1865, died September 10, 1865.

2. Martha May Beeghly, born May 20, 1867, married in 1886 to Luther Phillips. Four children were born to them:

1. Owen Truman Phillips, b. April 9, 1886.
2. Walter Phillips, b. June 21, 1893.

3. Mary Katie Phillips, b. June 21, 1895.

4. Helen Phillips, b. December 12, 1897.

Owen Truman Phillips married Mary McClain in 1907, and they have two children:

1. Earl Phillips, born May 8, 1908.

2. A daughter born January 11, 1914.

3. Mahlon Truman Beeghly, only son of Mahlon and Catherine Beeghly, was born January 16, 1873, in Seneca county, Ohio. He was married in 1908 to Victoria Dollie Collins and three children have been born to them, as follows:

1. Mary Lona Beeghly, b. December 18, 1907.

2. Mahlon Beeghly, b. March 9, 1909.

3. Vera Dolla Beeghly, b. July 31, 1910.

Vera, the writer presumes you are the pride of the family. He wishes he could see you children and then he could write more intelligently about you.

5. Aura Amelia Beeghly, daughter of Mahlon and Catherine Beeghly, born January 4, 1882, in Seneca county, Ohio, was married in 1902 to R. H. Davidson, and two children have been born to them:

1. Mertin Davidson, b. November 13, 1902.

2. Lester Cleo Davidson, b. June 14, 1909.

6. One child of Mahlon and Catherine Beeghly died in infancy.

6. Anna Horner, daughter of Samuel and Anna Mohler Horner, was born near Mount

Pleasant, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. She grew up in the good and comfortable home of her parents, under the pious instruction of christian parents and with the advantages of the schools. On November 24, 1869, she was married to David P. Lowe of Westmoreland county, and they made their home at Mount Pleasant, where Mr. Lowe was engaged for a number of years in mercantile business and later was connected with the bottling works. Mr. and Mr. Lowe had six children, all born at Mount Pleasant. In caring for one of the children Mrs. Lowe was exposed to a fever and being suddenly taken sick died September 23, 1910. The names of the children are:

1. Edward H. Lowe, born January 21, 1870.
2. Cora L. Lowe, born September 9, 1871.
3. Samuel H. Lowe, born May 21, 1874.
4. Margaret E. Lowe, b. November 22, 1876.
5. Frank H. Lowe, born November 28, 1881.
6. Clyde H. Lowe, born January 18, 1884.

Edward H. Lowe married Miss Grace Pile. They reside at Seanor, Somerset county, Pennsylvania, where Dr. Lowe is practicing medicine. Two children have been born to them:

1. Isabelle Lowe.
2. Anna May Lowe.

The mother of these children died March 3, 1911, and Dr. Lowe was married June 16, 1914, to Nora Bowser.

Cora L. Lowe married George W. Patterson of Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, a hardware merchant at that city until his death, February 7, 1912. Mrs. Patterson resides at Mount Pleasant and is the proprietor of the D. P. Lowe bottling works. No children.

Samuel H. Lowe married Miss Ray Moran, and they live at Uniontown, Pennsylvania, where Mr. Lowe is employed as a salesman. Six children have been born to them:

1. James Lowe.
2. John and Harriet, twins, of whom John died in infancy.
3. Margaret Lowe.
4. Ruth Lowe.
5. Ethel Lowe.

Margaret E. Lowe married Ralph C. Whitsett. Their home is 830 Oakwood avenue, Wilmette, Illinois. Mr. Whitsett is president of the R. C. Whitsett Coal and Mining Company, with offices at 110 South Dearborn street, Chicago. Three children have been born to them:

1. Ralph Whitsett, Junior.
2. Coralie Whitsett.
3. Margaret Helen Whitsett.

Frank H. Lowe married Estella Glisser. He is a chemist at 197 Lafayette avenue, Brighton street, New York. No children.

Clyde H. Lowe married Zana Washabaugh of Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania and they reside

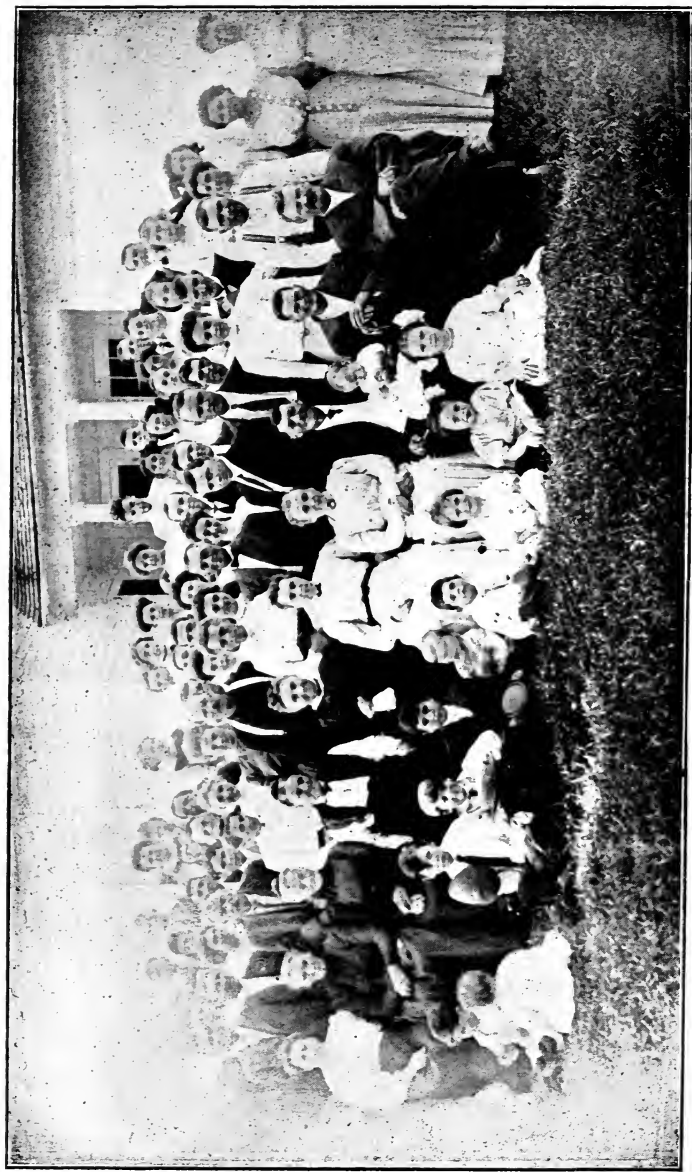
at that city, where Mr. Lowe is manager of the D. P. Lowe bottling works. They have one daughter:

1. Edra Lowe.

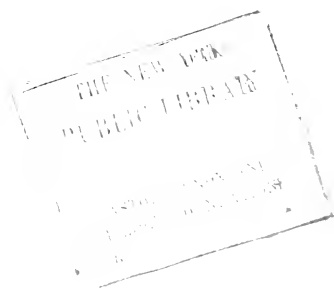
7. Daniel M. Horner, son of Samuel and Anna Mohler Horner, was born October 2, 1853, near Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania. He was reared as a farmer, taking full charge of the farm as his father grew in years. He was married May 23, 1872, to Ester Louisa Tarr, at Tarr's Station, Westmoreland county. After farming for a number of years they moved to Wood county, Ohio. Two children were born to them:

1. William Wellington Horner.
2. Anna May Horner.

Mrs. Horner died in Wood county, Ohio, January 31, 1878, aged twenty-one years, seven months and two days. Her body was taken back to Pennsylvania, for burial in Mount Lebo cemetery, after which Mr. Horner returned to Wood county and sold his property, on March 25, 1878, and with his two children returned to Pennsylvania. A year later he moved again to Wood county, Ohio, where for a short time he ran a shoe store at Bloomdale. Again returning to Pennsylvania he farmed his father's place for several years and was married March 15, 1882, to Anna Belle Shaffer. In 1890 he moved to Scottdale, Pennsylvania, where he was in the



Second Horner Reunion, held at the home of Jeremiah Horner, near Mongo, Indiana, August 28, 1911.



lumber business for six years, after which he again went on the farm. After another period of residence at Scottdale he moved with his family, September 15, 1900, to Indiana county, Pennsylvania, where he was farming about six years, then moving to Livermore, Westmoreland county, where he had rented a farm. In 1906 the writer visited these cousins at that place. November 27, 1907, they moved to Trumbull county, Ohio, near Warren, where Mr. Horner bought a farm, where they are now living.

By his first marriage Daniel M. Horner had two children and nine were born to his second marriage. There are nine grandchildren. The children are nearly all located in the rich and productive country around Warren, Ohio.

1. William Wellington Horner, first heir of Daniel M. and Louisa Horner, was born May 2, 1873, near Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania. The writer well remembers seeing this son on his visit to the home in the Centennial year. Though he lost a mother's care at an early age, he was not neglected by his father. Well educated in practical affairs he has risen to the position of superintendent of the electric department of the H. C. Frick Coal and Coke Company, at Scottdale, Pennsylvania. He was married June 22, 1897, to Ida Belle Kooser, who was born in Westmoreland county, May 9, 1875. They have two children, William Dewey and Anna Ruth.

1. William Dewey Horner was born at Scottdale September 15, 1898.

2. Anna Ruth Horner was born August 25, 1901, at Scottdale. We thank you for these biographical notes, Ruth, and we will hurry along this little Horner history as fast as possible.

2. Anna May Horner was born May 18, 1875, the daughter of Daniel and Esther Louisa Horner. Though her mother died when she was very young she grew up to a beautiful womanhood and married Bert Mauk, who was born October 25, 1873, at Bridgeport, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Mauk are farming near Warren, Ohio, and have four children:

1. Blanche Mauk.
2. Grace Mauk.
3. Mabel Mauk.
4. Maude Mauk.

1. Harry Alvin Horner was born February 8, 1884, in Westmoreland county, near Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, the oldest son of Daniel M. and Anna Belle Horner. His home is at Massillon, Ohio, where he has been chief of the Central Union Telephone Company since October 1, 1913.

2. Lillian Grace Horner was born October 25, 1885, near Scottdale, in Westmoreland county, and was married June 16, 1909, to Orval C. Magness. They are living at Warren, Ohio, and have one daughter:

1. Alice May Magness.

Mr. Magness was born in Clarion county, Pennsylvania, November 17, 1884. He is employed at the City Boiler Works at Warren.

3. Margaret Ellen Horner was born October 27, 1887, near Mount Pleasant. She is at home with her parents near Warren, Ohio.

4. Amelda Pearl Horner was born November 24, 1889, near Mount Pleasant, and was married October 19, 1910, to Harry C. Comstock. They have one daughter:

1. Dorothy May Comstock.

Mr. Comstock was born November 18, 1891, at Youngstown, Ohio. He is a salesman for the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company.

5. Ethel May Horner, the fourth daughter of Daniel M. and Anna Belle Horner, was born April 6, 1892, in Indiana county, Pennsylvania. She was married November 15, 1910, to Fred A. Walker, who was born January 29, 1883. They live at Warren, Ohio, where Mr. Walker is a machinist with the Tool and Forge Company.

They have one daughter:

1. Evelyn Lucille Walker.

6. Ray Samuel Horner was born January 17, 1896, the sixth child of Daniel M. and Anna Belle Horner.

7. Russell Sage, seventh child of Daniel M. and Anna Belle Horner, was born June 23, 1898, at Scottdale, Pennsylvania.

CHAPTER FOUR

JOHN HORNER, second son of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner, was born in 1805, near Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania. No definite facts can be given in regard to this son, as little was said about him by his sisters and brothers to be handed down in the family. It appears that he left the parental home at an early age. The writer never heard his father say much of John except that he left home when a young man and was for some time employed as a boatman on the Ohio river and never returned home, and never was heard of again. It is also told that he was married and once came back to Pennsylvania on a visit. We have been able to obtain no more information.

It is easy, even in this time of easy and quick communication, for persons to become lost to their family and forgotten, when they leave the place where they were brought up and go to a far distant country.

It is a common question, even among relatives, what has become of such and such a one?

CHAPTER FIVE

CATHERINE HORNER, second daughter of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner, was born in the year 1807, near the borough of Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania. She married Martin Coder, June 12, 1836, probably near Mount Pleasant, and four children—three sons and one daughter—were born to them:

1. John Coder, born May 1, 1837.
2. Eli Coder, born January 10, 1845.
3. Esly Coder, born February 16, 1848.
4. Sarah Coder, birth date not given.

Mr. and Mrs. Coder were members of the German Baptist church. They lived on a farm in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, near the town of Dawson, and reared and educated their children while living on this farm. Catherine Coder died May 16, 1874 and Martin Coder died January 11, 1894.

1. John Coder, the oldest son of Martin and Catherine Coder, married Maria Jones of Fayette county, Pennsylvania, born May 1, 1838. They began their married life near Mount Pleasant and later moved near Dawson, in Fayette county, where Mr. Coder was employed in the coal works for a number of years. Eight children were born to them:

1. George Coder.
2. Elmer Ellsworth Coder.

3. Martin Coder.
4. John Coder, Junior.
5. Lawrence Coder.
6. Ella Coder.
7. Mary Coder.
8. Viola Coder.

Mr. Coder finally retired from the coal works and moved with his family to the state of Indiana, locating at the village of Mongo in La-Grange county, where he worked at the trade of blacksmith. After a brief return to Pennsylvania he came back to Mongo with a portion of the family. He and his son Martin worked at their trade there and a short time at Alba, Michigan, until 1912, when they moved to Virginia and later to Friendsville, Maryland, where they are now located. Mr. and Mrs. Coder are devoted christians, of their chosen church.

1. George Coder, oldest son of John and Maria Coder, was born November 20, 1862, near Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, and grew up an industrious boy in the home. The writer remembers him at the age of ten years. George Coder married Susanna Lighty, and they had two daughters:

1. Ida May Coder.
2. Anna Grace Coder.

George Coder was accidentally killed in a coal mine, March 17, 1892. His widow resides at Good Hope, Illinois.

2. Elmer Ellsworth Coder was born January

13, 1864, near Dawson, Pennsylvania. He is a jeweler, living at Somerfield, Pennsylvania, and unmarried.

3. Martin Coder, third son of John and Maria Coder, was born March 11, 1866, at Dawson, Pennsylvania. He is unmarried and makes his home with his parents at Friendsville, Maryland.

4. John Coder, Junior, was born December 9, 1870, at Dawson, Pennsylvania. He married Emma Burkey and they reside at Clarksburg, West Virginia. One child was born to them:

1. Mabel Coder.

The mother of this child died and Mr. Coder married Iva Jones.

6. Lawrence Coder was born August 8, 1875, near Dawson, Pennsylvania. He was married January 1, 1906, to Nelly Skidmore, who was born July 23, 1888, and they moved to Indiana in 1908 or 1909 and located at Mongo, LaGrange county. Mr. Coder is a jeweler and he and Mrs. Coder are local managers of a telephone station. They have one child:

1. Alice May Coder, born December 7, 1907.

6. Ella Coder was born near Dawson, Pennsylvania, October 28, 1876. She married John Wagner, and they had three children:

1. Netta May Wagner.
2. Florence Wagner.
3. Robert Wagner.

7. Mary Coder, daughter of John and Maria Coder, was born January 22, 1878, at Dawson, and died January 26, 1885.

8. Viola Coder was born June 28, 1882, at Dawson, Fayette county, and married David Green of Fayette county, Pennsylvania. Six children have been born to them:

1. Paul B. Green.
2. Mary Green.
3. Elmer Green.
4. Beulah Green.
5. Clarence Green.

6. A son not named at this writing. We propose Ralph.

Sarah Coder, only daughter of Martin and Catherine Coder, was born October 19, 1841, near Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, and died June 12, 1845, aged three years, five months and twenty-three days.

Eli Coder was born January 10, 1845, near Mount Pleasant in Westmoreland county. He was the second son of Martin and Catherine Coder, and was reared at their home in Fayette county. When grown to manhood he started out to see the great west, and the writer can well remember when he came to Indiana in 1873 or a little later, and afterward went to Idaho, where he made his home for many years. October 4, 1875, he took up a homestead in Idaho

county, Idaho, and on November 5, 1877, he was married to Miss Mary Louisa Strauch, at Lewiston, Idaho. They lived on the homestead for twenty-eight years, and there nine children were born to them:

1. Cora Alice Coder.
2. Elmer Esly Coder.
3. Harriet Rose Coder.
4. Lawrence Robert Coder.
5. Ruth Coder.
6. Harrison Morton Coder.
7. Kenneth Burton Coder.
8. Catherine Zilpho Coder.
9. John Eli Coder.

Mrs. Mary Louisa (Strauch) Coder was born June 14, 1854, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. She died May 30, 1914, at Ashland, Oregon. To the latter place Mr. Coder and his family had moved in November, 1905.

The family is now living at 530 Woolen street. They recently added to the house and they own several acres of land on which they raise all kinds of vegetables. Mr. Coder sold his Idaho farm after moving to Ashland.

From an Ashland, Oregon, paper of June 1, 1914:

Mrs. E. H. Coder passed away Saturday, after a long, lingering illness. She was a native of Pennsylvania, born June 14, 1854, in Westmoreland county. She lived there until 1877, then went to Grangeville until 1905, when they came to Ashland. She has been a conscientious member

of the Christian church and a faithful worker in the W. R. C. She leaves a husband and nine children, all of whom are living. Mrs. Coder leaves a host of friends and mourners, who will keep the memory of their departed friend in their minds and hearts for the rest of their lives. The deceased was so generous, kind and forgiving in her life that everyone she met became her lifelong friend. Though her illness was long she always kept a cheerful smile. Interment will take place in the Ashland cemetery. Funeral services will be held at the Christian church, Tuesday, at two o'clock.

1. Cora Alice Coder, oldest daughter of Eli and Mary Louisa Coder, born October 14, 1878, near Lewiston, Idaho, was married to William B. Patterson, M. D., December 24, 1900. Dr. Patterson died, leaving no children, February 14, 1913.

2. Elmer Esly Coder was born February 25, 1880, at Grangeville, Idaho, the oldest son of Eli H. and Mary Louisa Coder. His middle name recalls his uncle, Esly Coder, of Smithville, Ohio.

He married Bertha Belle Costley, March 12, 1905, and two children have been born to them:

1. Roy Coder, born February 11, 1906.
2. Grace Coder, born December 10, 1907.

3. Harriet Rose Coder was born January 30, 1882, at Grangeville, Idaho, and married October 22, 1899, to Joseph Kerr. Two children were born to them:

1. Azelia Lillian Kerr, b. October 26, 1900.
2. William Eli Kerr, born May 6, 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerr are living at California street, Ashland, Oregon, occupation gardening.

4. Lawrence Robert Coder, second son of Eli and Mary Louisa Coder, was born September 18, 1883. He was married October 16, 1912, at Ashland, Oregon, to Miss Almeda Grace Helman. Their home is at the corner of Skidmore and Mechanic street, Ashland, Oregon. Mr. Coder is a machinist.

5. Ruth Coder, daughter of Eli and Mary L. Coder, was born March 29, 1886, at Grangeville, Idaho, and was married March 29, 1908, to John Paul Eisley. After their marriage they located at Oakland, California, and later they moved to Lebanon, Oregon. Mr. Eisley is employed as car inspector by the Southern Pacific railroad company.

Harrison Morton Coder was born June 22, 1889, at Grangeville, Idaho, the third son of Eli and Mary Louisa Coder. The word that came to the writer was that the young man was prospecting for land in southern Idaho.

Kenneth Burton Coder, fourth son of Eli and Mary Louisa Coder, was born May 24, 1892, in Idaho county, Idaho. He is in the fourth generation from Jacob and Catherine Horner.

Catherine Zilpha Coder, youngest daughter of Eli and Mary Louisa Coder, was born July 29,

1903, near Grangeville, Idaho, and we thank her for the sketch of her mother, from an Ashland paper.

John Eli Coder, the fifth son and youngest of the family of Eli and Mary Louisa Coder, was born near Grangeville, Idaho, February 2, 1905. John Eli will make a good farmer, if he patterns after his father.

Esly S. Coder was born February 16, 1848, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, the youngest son of Martin and Catherine Coder. He was reared at the home and given a good education and becoming a successful farmer he was eventually the owner of his father's farm near Dawson, in Fayette county. He was married December 24, 1868, to Miss Martha Jane Golly, of Fayette county. They prospered and added more land to the farm. Mr. Coder visited the west several times, looking over its fertile valleys and prairies, and visiting his brother in Idaho, but nothing could induce him to leave old Pennsylvania until after his sons had grown up and left home, when he and his wife moved to Ohio and bought sixty acres of very productive land near Smithville, Wayne county. Two years later he sold this and bought an eight acre lot adjoining the town of Smithville, where he and his wife now reside. Seven children were born to them:

1. Anna Etta Coder.
2. David Franklin Coder.

3. Jennie Coder.
4. Luella Ilma Coder.
5. Terry Hayes Coder.
6. Harrison Blaine Coder.
7. Oliver Lloyd Coder.

Anna Etta Coder was born September 15, 1870, near Dawson, Pennsylvania. While a girl in school she received an injury that to some extent disabled her during life. She died December 4, 1910, sincerely mourned as a helpful and devoted christian woman.

2. David Franklin Coder, eldest son of E. S. and Martha J. Coder, was born June 23, 1872, near Dawson, Pennsylvania, and grew up on the farm, becoming skillful in that calling. He was married at Owensdale, Pennsylvania, December 1, 1896, to Cora May Kelly, and soon afterward they located in Trumbull county, Ohio, in 1901, and bought a farm near Warren or Cortland, of one hundred and forty acres of valuable land. Mrs. Coder was born January 28, 1876, at Owensdale. They have no children.

3. Jennie Coder was born April 5, 1874, and died April 15, 1874.

4. Luella Ilma Coder was born June 8, 1875, near Dawson, Pennsylvania, received a good education, and on April 13, 1900, was married to Charles B. Cumberland. Mr. Cumberland was born January 18, 1879, at Dawson. He is by occupation a carpenter. They reside at Donora, Washington county, Pennsylvania.

5. Terry Hayes Coder was born January 3, 1877, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, near Dawson, the second son of Esly S. and Martha Jane Coder. He married Nellie Virginia Powell, October 16, 1901. She was born at Augusta, West Virginia, August 26, 1876. Three children have been born to them:

1. Nellie I. Coder, born September 14, 1902.
2. Harold B. Coder, born September 3, 1903.
3. Ruth Anna Coder, born February 7, 1908.

6. Harrison Blaine Coder was born August 15, 1879, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, near Dawson. He is employed as a United States railway mail clerk and resides at Irvona, Clearfield county, Pennsylvania.

7. Oliver Lloyd Coder was born February 19, 1882, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, near Dawson. He was married, March 12, 1902, to Mollie Hagerman, who was born December 17, 1884. She died November 16, 1902, leaving one child:

1. Charles Coder, born November 4, 1902.

April 4, 1914, Oliver Lloyd Coder was married to Jennie Warner, who was born in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, December 24, 1884. They live at 487 Ohio street, Akron, Ohio. By occupation Mr. Coder is a carpenter.

CHAPTER SIX

CHRISTENA HORNER, born May 30, 1806, near Mount Pleasant, county of Westmoreland, Pennsylvania, was the third daughter of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner. The writer and this dear and kind aunt felt an added tie in the fact that their birthdays were on the same day of May. We last saw her, in her once dear home, in the year 1872.

She was married to Henry Shupe, who was born in 1803, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. Two daughters were born to them:

1. Anna Shupe.
2. Emma Lovina Shupe.

Mr. Shupe was the owner of a good and productive farm of nearly eighty acres a mile north of Scottdale, Pennsylvania, where they lived and reared their two daughters. They were faithful members of the German Baptist church. Henry Shupe died July 29, 1859, and Christena Shupe died in 1875, aged sixty-nine years.

1. Anna Shupe was born March 24, 1843, near Scottdale, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. She grew up in the home of her parents, a young lady of high character and lovely nature. When of age she, in company with her cousin, Catherine Horner, visited with her friends in Ohio, where we first saw her. Returning to Pennsylvania she was married to

William B. Keller of Scottdale. He was born in Westmoreland county July 2, 1840. He was the owner of a small farm near Scottdale, on which farm they made their home for many years. They visited relatives and friends in the middle west in 1876 or 1878 and were delighted by the beautiful country in Ohio and Indiana, especially in LaGrange county, where they wished they might live. About the year 1904 Mrs. Keller's health began to fail and she became confined to the home and finally was helpless. She died November 14, 1909. She had been a faithful member of the German Baptist church. Mr. Kellar died January 2, 1914. They had no children of their own, but adopted and reared Miss Ida Kooser, now Mrs. William Horner of Scottdale, Pennsylvania.

2. Emma Lovina Shupe was born December 30, 1845, near Scottdale, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. Like her sister, she was a dutiful girl as well as a lover of society and was well liked by all who knew her in the surrounding community. She was married March 28, 1867, to Solomon Lichty of near Mount Pleasant, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Lichty was a farmer and by trade a stone mason. He had become the owner of the old Shupe farm home, on which he built a large brick house, also a good size bank barn, both of which are maintained in good condition by his sons.

Solomon Lichty died November 16, 1885, in his forty-fifth year.

There were born to Mr. and Mrs. Lichty six children, five sons and one daughter.

After Mr. Lichty's death Mrs. Lichty stayed on the farm, where she reared her sons and daughter, who bore their share of the toil of home and farm. Quite suddenly she took sick and died, March 22, 1909. After her death, her sons who were unmarried lived upon and carried on the farm.

In 1911 the Horner reunion was held at this beautiful home, with nearly two hundred of the kindred gathered to the feast and greeting.

Names of the children of Solomon and Emma Lovina Lichty:

1. Oliver S. Lichty.
2. William Franklin Lichty.
3. Albert S. Lichty.
4. Anna Maud Lichty.
5. Harry M. Lichty.
6. Ralph S. Lichty.

1. Oliver S. Lichty was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, August 8, 1868, and died August 22, 1868.

2. William Franklin Lichty was born August 8, 1868, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, near Scottdale, grew up to manhood at the home of his parents, and was married Aug-

ust 8, 1889, to Miss Luella Pletcher, who was born May 30, 1868. Four children were born to them (two died in infancy):

1. Braden Ray Lichty, b. September 26, 1890.
2. Leland Chancellor Lichty, b. March 9, 1894.
3. Albert S. Lichty, born September 21, 1871.

He was married December 25, 1894, to Rachel Catherine Show, who was born in May, 1878. Albert S. Lichty died February 27, 1901. They had one son:

1. Donald Lichty, born November 20, 1896, died April 22, 1903.

4. Anna Maud Lichty was born August 24, 1876, at the home in Westmoreland county, the only daughter in the home and quite young when the father died. She was reared by her loving mother and in those noble traits of truth and honesty is a good example to her children. She was married November 25, 1897, to Daniel F. Hixon of Scottdale, who was born near that place, in Westmoreland county, October 14, 1872. They live a half mile north of Scottdale, owning a beautiful little farm, on which they have lived for some time, occupying a fine brick house. Besides caring for his farm Mr. Hixon is associated with the steel and rolling mills at Scottdale. Mr. and Mrs. Hixon have three children:

1. Daniel Woodrow Hixon, born December 25, 1902.

2. Clarence Melvin Hixon, born September 17, 1906.

3. Ethel Pearl Hixon, born December 23, 1913.

5. Harry M. Lichty was born May 18, 1879, near Scottdale, Pennsylvania. He has made several trips in the middle west and twice has visited his relatives in LaGrange county, Indiana. At the date of this writing, in 1914, he is unmarried and living with his brother, Ralph. From what we know of him in Indiana we can say that the lady who shares his life will be fortunate, indeed.

6. Ralph S. Lichty, youngest son of Solomon and Emma Lovina Lichty, was born March 9, 1883. He married Willie Almira Ulery, of near Jones Mills, Westmoreland county, who was born June 19, 1882. They are located on the old Lichty homestead north of Scottdale, are members of the Brethren church, good citizens in their community and liked by all. One child has been born to them:

1. Ora Frances Lichty, b. December 2, 1912.

CHAPTER SEVEN

DAVID HORNER, third son of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner, was born October 10, 1810, near the borough of Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. He was married, April 3, 1833, to Rebecca Hepler, and ten children were born to them:

1. Jacob Horner.
2. Mary (called Polly) Horner.
3. John Horner.
4. Elizabeth Horner.
5. Henry Harrison Horner.
6. Christopher Myers Horner.
7. David Horner.
8. Phoebe Horner.
9. Eli Horner.
10. Cyrus Horner.

David and Rebecca Hepler Horner lived on a farm near Donegal and another near Stahlstown, Westmoreland county, and we suppose all of their children were born at these farm homes. David Horner died November 19, 1851, after which some of the children were put in the homes of strangers, hence only a part of the family kept a record, and as they grew up they became considerably scattered. At the date of writing this, all are dead but three, and the writer has been unable to get a full record of the ten children. David Horner died in 1851, aged forty-one years, two months and nine days.

1. Jacob Horner, oldest son of David and Rebecca Horner, was born in about 1834, near Mount Pleasant, in Westmoreland county, and died when a young man.

2. Mary Horner, the eldest daughter of David and Rebecca Horner, was born near the town of Mount Pleasant, April 23, 1836, and died February 21, 1911.

She married William H. Miller, October 15, 1857, and they owned and lived upon a large and beautiful farm in Somerset county, near Somerset, Pennsylvania. They were members of the German Baptist church.

To Mr. and Mrs. Miller seven children were born:

1. Missouri Miller.
2. Harvey H. Miller.
3. Emma Miller.
4. Lewis H. Miller.
5. William J. Miller.
6. Mary Ann Miller.
7. Ada R. Miller.

William H. Miller was born March 18, 1833 and died January 24, 1912. Both he and his wife are buried in Husband cemetery, near Somerset. The writer and his wife visited these dear friends in 1907, when Mr. Miller had just erected a large and commodious dwelling. They were permitted to enjoy the new home but a short time, when they were called to a better home. Mr. and Mrs. Miller had moved on this

farm soon after they were married and it was very dear to them. The writer also had the privilege of meeting these dear people in their home in the year 1872, in company with his cousin, D. M. Horner, then of Mount Pleasant.

1. Missouri Miller was born January 23, 1860, near Somerset, Pennsylvania, the eldest daughter of William H. and Mary Miller. She married Franklin Barkley of Somerset and they live five miles west of that place, occupied in farming. They have no children.

2. Harvey H. Miller was born July 27, 1862, in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, the oldest son of William H. and Mary Horner Miller. He married Miss Maud Smyth and they reside at McCook, Nebraska. They have no children.

3. Emma Miller was born November 15, 1864, the second daughter of William H. and Mary Horner Miller. She married Elmer Lichty, and they reside near Waterloo, Blackhawk county, Iowa, tilling a beautiful prairie farm. Six children have been born to them:

1. Edward Lichty.
2. Alice Lichty.
3. Clark Lichty.
4. Ruth Lichty.
5. Parker Lichty.
6. Dorothy Lichty.

4. Lewis Horner Miller, the second son of William H. and Mary Horner Miller, was born December 12, 1867, near Somerset, Pennsylv-

vania. He is a farmer and lives on the old homestead. He married Miss Linnie Saylor, who died in 1901, leaving two children:

1. Philip Miller.
2. Rose Ann Miller.

5. William J. Miller was born July 2, 1870, near Somerset, Pennsylvania, the youngest son of William H. and Mary Horner Miller. He died December 8, 1910.

6. Mary Ann Miller was born August 3, 1873 and died March 21, 1877. She lived but a brief life in this world, but her spirit reigns with her parents and brother.

7. Ada R. Miller, the youngest daughter of William H. and Mary Horner Miller, was born August 19, 1876, near Somerset, Pennsylvania. When she sent in this record, in 1914, she was unmarried and caring for the home of her brother, Lewis. In 1911 she came to LaGrange county, Indiana, with her aunt, Phoebe Fike, to attend the second Horner reunion, and first met the LaGrange county Horners at that time. The writer is much indebted to her for the history of her father's family.

2. John Horner, the second son of David and Rebecca (Hepler) Horner, was born near Stahlstown, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, about the year 1837. The exact date of birth and the events of the life of this son cannot be given, except that he married and soon

after moved to the state of California, about the year 1859. They located at Oakland and there one son was born to them and about eight years they moved from Oakland.

More than this glimpse of the life of John and his family we cannot give, though we have tried again and again to get a full and complete record.

4. Elizabeth Horner, second daughter of David and Rebecca (Hepler) Horner, was born November 20, 1838, near Donegal in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania.

She married Benjamin Simpson, March 19, 1859. They moved to the state of Illinois about the year 1863 and located near Mendon, or fifteen miles north of Quincy, where they bought a farm of one hundred and sixty acres, where they afterward made their home and where Mr. Simpson died, December 17, 1897. There were no children born to them.

After the death of Mr. Simpson, Elizabeth moved to the town of Mendon, and after some time was married to Jacob Sloniger of that town, a former soldier. For some time they lived in New Mexico, proving up on a soldier's claim to land, returning to Mendon afterward. The writer visited there in 1913. Elizabeth is a real mother, loves to have children about her, is an easy talker and entertaining in conversation, has a wonderful memory and can

give much information about the early life of her family. She made frequent visits with her relatives in Pennsylvania and in 1912 came the first time to LaGrange county, Indiana, to see the many relatives there. Though failing in health she says she very much desires to be at the next Horner family reunion.

5. Henry Harrison Horner, third son of David and Rebecca (Hepler) Horner, was born near the town of Ligonier, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, December 10, 1840, and died August 15, 1894.

He did not marry. About the year 1866 he went to the city of Philadelphia and became the manager of a harness and saddlery plant. The writer and E. S. Coder, then of Dawson, Pennsylvania, met him there in the Centennial year, 1876, and found him a courteous and intelligent guide in seeing the city and its many historical treasures. On seeing the writer, Harrison said to him: "And you are one of Uncle Eli's boys! Well, we will show you the town."

6. Christopher Myers Horner was born February 1, 1842, near Ligonier, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, the fourth son of David and Rebecca Horner. He grew up as an orphan, with some of the disadvantages and hardships of that condition. He was married November 2, 1865, to Margaret Francis Sethevan, who was

born June 3, 1849. There were born to them seven children:

1. Josie Horner.
2. Harry Horner.
3. Bert Horner.
4. Belle Horner.
5. Alice Horner.
6. Bertha Horner.
7. Leslie Horner.

They left Pennsylvania in 1869 and with the oldest daughter moved to Illinois and later to Iowa and again to Washington county, Kansas, where they have since made their home. Their migration to Kansas was about 1877.

Mr. Horner was a farmer and owned a farm of good size three miles north of Washington, but they have recently moved into town, leaving their son, Leslie, to manage the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Horner have five grandchildren. They have had a full experience of the hardships and joys of pioneer life in both Iowa and Kansas.

1. Josie Horner was born October 2, 1867, oldest daughter of Christopher Myers and Margaret Francis Horner. She married Jack Cooper of Washington, Kansas.

2. Harry Horner, the oldest son of Christopher Myers and Margaret Francis Horner, was born September 24, 1872, in Illinois. He married Weanie Rock of Dike, Iowa.

3. Bert Horner, the second son of Christopher Myers and Margaret Francis Horner. He is yet unmarried, and the writer notices that the single life is not unpopular with a goodly portion of the Horner family. Bert Horner was born November 13, 1875, in the state of Iowa.

4. Belle Horner was born June 4, 1878, in Washington county, Kansas, the second daughter of Christopher Myers and Margaret Francis Horner. She married William Depew of Washington, Kansas.

5. Alice Horner was born July 29, 1881, in Washington county, Kansas, the third daughter of the family. She married Fred Seenier.

6. Bertha Horner was born March 3, 1883, in Washington county, Kansas. She is at home with her parents at Washington.

7. Leslie Horner, the youngest child of Christopher Myers and Margaret Francis Horner, was born September 15, 1888, and was married in 1914 to Helda Moser, of Washington. He is a thorough farmer and is conducting the home farm near Washington.

7. David Horner, junior, a son of David and Rebecca Hepler Horner, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, near Donegal, February 11, 1847. The writer has never met this cousin and our first correspondence with him was when we wrote for information for this record, which he promptly sent, and we ob-

serve that he is just nine months older than the writer. He was reared near the town of Berlin, in Somerset county. At the age of seventeen years he enlisted in Company K of the Eleventh Pennsylvania regiment in the war for the union and he was in active service in the campaign around Richmond, under General Grant, taking part in the battles of the Weldon railroad and Five Forks and the fighting in pursuit of the army under General Lee, and was present at the surrender of that army. That, he says, was the saddest of sights, when the Confederate troops marched up the hill over their dead, and stacked their arms in token of complete defeat.

After the close of the war Mr. Horner came home for a short time. In 1870 he was married at Richmond, Virginia, to Elnora Comice, of Scotch descent, who was born on the ocean, while her parents were coming to this country. She died in 1901, leaving no children. Mr. Horner's second marriage was to Anna Lee Brown, who was born in Washington county, Georgia, and reared on the farm of her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Horner have no children.

He has lived in twenty-four different states, including Canada. He was thirty-one years at Baltimore, four years at Richmond, one year in Florida, and has lived four years at his present home near Savannah, Georgia.

8. Phoebe Horner was born February 6,

1845, the youngest daughter of David and Rebecca (Hepler) Horner. Her birthplace was near Donegal, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, on Walnut Hill farm. She was married October 25, 1863, to William G. Lint of Myersdale, Pennsylvania, and two sons were born to them.

Phoebe Horner was left an orphan and was reared in part by foster parents.

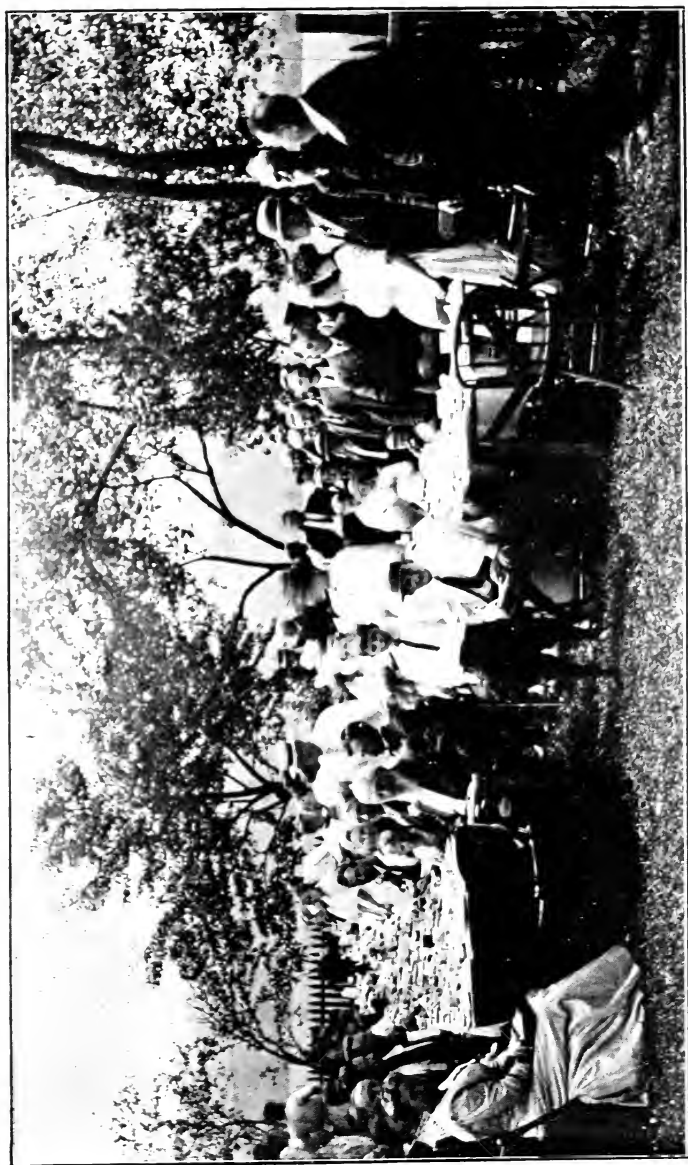
Her husband, William G. Lint, was a son of Killian Lint of Myersdale, Pennsylvania, and was a miller by trade, owning a mill at Myersdale, where he was busied for many years. He and his wife were members of the German Baptist church. He died about the year 1900.

The names of their children were:

1. Samuel C. Lint.
2. Harry H. Lint.

Phoebe Horner was married to her second husband, Elias Fike, in 1904 or 1905, and they live at Myersdale, where they have a cozy little home. Mr. Fike is a retired farmer and well to do.

1. Samuel C. Lint, oldest son of William and Phoebe Lint, was born June 23, 1864, at Myersdale, Pennsylvania. When he grew to manhood he became an engineer on the Pennsylvania railroad. Unexpectedly he met with a sad death, being killed in a railroad wreck, June 23, 1910, at the age of forty-six years. He was unmarried.



Third Horner Reunion, August 21, 1912, at the home of the Lichty Brothers, near Scottsdale, Penn.

2. Harry H. Lint, second son of William C. and Phoebe Lint, was born June 23, 1867, at Myersdale, and was married November 6, 1889, to Rosa Shipley of Baltimore. Three children have been born to them:

1. Mary Irene Lint.
2. Lucille Shipley Lint.
3. William Robinson Lint.

1. Mary Irene Lint married J. Walter Rohebaugh of Hanover, Pennsylvania, February 22, 1909, and they have two children:

1. Roseda Rohebaugh.
2. Irene Rohebaugh.

2. Lucile Shipley Lint was born near Myersdale, Pennsylvania, and is doubtless sharing the comforts of the family home.

3. William Robinson Lint, born near Myersdale, is the youngest son of Harry and Rosa Lint.

9. Eli Horner, son of David and Rebecca (Hepler) Horner, was born near Donegal, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and on account of the death of his parents was reared mainly by foster parents.

10. Cyrus Horner, the youngest son of David and Rebecca (Hepler) Horner, born on the Walnut Hill farm, near Donegal, was also reared by foster parents.



CHAPTER EIGHT

ELIZABETH HORNER, youngest of the daughters of Jacob and Catherine Beeghly) Horner, was born near Mount Pleasant, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, May 27, 1816. She married John Weaver of Mount Pleasant. He was born October 5, 1818. They bought a small farm near Mount Pleasant, and there lived during most of their married life, engaged in farming as their occupation. Both were members of the German Baptist church.

To them four children were born:

1. Catherine Ann Weaver.
2. Elizabeth Weaver.
3. Sarah E. Weaver.
4. Lewis Horner Weaver.

1. Catherine Ann Weaver, oldest of the children of John and Elizabeth Weaver, was born October 12, 1839, near Mount Pleasant.

She was married March 29, 1861, to George K. Eicher, and there were born to them seven sons and one daughter:

1. Lewis W. Eicher.
2. John J. A. Eicher.
3. Franklin P. Eicher.
4. Abram B. Eicher.
5. Isaac Milton Eicher.
6. Harrison Eicher.
7. Lomison Lemmon Eicher.
8. Sarah Elizabeth Eicher.

1. Lewis W. Eicher, oldest son of George K. and Elizabeth Eicher, was born January 1, 1862, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. He was married July 4, 1887, to Cora V. Harman, who was born May 26, 1870, in Westmoreland county. They are engaged in farming in Mount Pleasant township.

Ten children were born to them, as follows:

1. George H. Eicher, born February 16, 1888, married Emma Bollinger, and they have two children:

1. Mary Blanche Eicher, born February 18, 1889, married Thomas Porfit. They have three children.

2. Harry Payne Eicher, born July 29, 1890, yet unmarried and at home when this information was obtained.

3. Lottie M. Eicher, born February 6, 1892, married Kenneth Hudson, and they have one child.

4. Clark L. Eicher, born January 24, 1894.

5. Eben L. Eicher, born December 17, 1895, deceased.

6. Emerson L. Eicher, born August 17, 1898.

7. Martha A. Eicher, born October 10, 1900.

8. Elizabeth J. Eicher, born May 30, 1907.

9. Edith M. Eicher, born April 21, 1912.

2. John J. A. Eicher was born September 9, 1863, in Westmoreland county, and was married

March 18, 1888, to Emma J. Smithey, who was born February 19, 1866, near Mount Pleasant. Two children have been born to them:

1. Camilla J. Eicher, born October 7, 1890, and married December 25, 1912, to James B. Kirk, who was born February 23, 1832. They reside at Braddock, Pennsylvania.

2. John W. Eicher, born December 15, 1898, died August 8, 1900.

3. Franklin P. Eicher, third son of John J. A. Eicher, was born June 19, 1865. He married Mary Barron on September 19, 1889. She was born September 18, 1869, at Markleton, Pennsylvania. There were born to them three children:

1. Franklin Leroy Eicher, born January 25, 1895. Unmarried.

2. William Stewart Eicher, born January 10, 1899.

3. Mary Edna Eicher, born December 13, 1901.

Franklin P. Eicher is an influential citizen and holds the office of justice of the peace.

4. Abram B. Eicher, fourth son of George H. and Catherine Eicher, was born July 28, 1866, was married October 24, 1893, to Carrie E. Keller, who was born May 9, 1872. One son has been born to them:

1. Leslie L. Eicher, born April 2, 1897. He is at home and is employed as a mail carrier.

5. Isaac Milton Eicher, fifth son of George K. and Catherine Eicher, died in infancy.

6. Harrison H. Eicher also died in infancy.

7. Lomison Lemmon Eicher was born October 30, 1870, in Westmoreland county, and was married October 8, 1902, to Effie H. Hixon, who was born December 9, 1871. They have three children:

1. Kenneth E. Eicher, b. September 9, 1903.

2. Warren H. Eicher, b. September 27, 1905.

3. Charles E. Eicher, b. November 10, 1911.

Lomison L. Eicher is a farmer and lives at Alverton, Pennsylvania.

8. Sarah Elizabeth Eicher was born June 30, 1872, near Mount Pleasant. She was the only daughter of George K. and Catherine Eicher. February 16, 1892, she was married at Braddock, Pennsylvania, to Charles H. Urias, who was born June 8, 18— at Conner, Pennsylvania. Mr. Urias is a contractor.

To them nine children have been born:

1. Ida C. Urias, born January 30, 1894, died February 14, 1912.

2. Mary Catherine Urias, born May 16, 1896.

3. Myrtle Irene Urias, b. September 22, 1898.

4. Ethel May Urias, born October 12, 1900, died October 14, 1900.

5. Merritt Carl Urias, born October 20, 1901.

6. Laurent G. Urias, born March 13, 1904.

7. Margaret Pearl A. Urias, b. July 24, 1907. 1910, died February 27, 1914.

8. Alma Elizabeth Urias, born March 15,
9. Sarah Fern Urias, born May 9, 1913, died February 15, 1914.

2. Elizabeth Weaver, the second daughter of John and Elizabeth Weaver, was born near Mount Pleasant, July 8, 1844.

She was married August 20, 1868, to John K. Eicher, who was born October 1, 1844, in Mount Pleasant township.

After their marriage they lived in the home of John and Elizabeth Weaver for three years, Mr. Eicher being engaged in teaching school in the winters and working as a carpenter during the remainder of the year. Finally he bought the farm of his father-in-law and made farming his occupation for about forty years. They are still living on the farm near Mount Pleasant. Mr. Eicher has been a Republican in politics and in recent years a Prohibitionist. He and his wife are members of the German Baptist church, in which he is a minister.

Six children have been born to them:

1. Annie May Eicher.
2. David Wal Eicher.
3. Jesse Ward Eicher.
4. William Sheldon Eicher.
5. Lorella May Eicher.
6. John Weaver Eicher.

1. Annie May Eicher was born May 1, 1869, in Westmoreland county, the oldest daughter

of John K. and Elizabeth Eicher. She was married October 12, 1892, to Charles E. Miller of Westmoreland county. Mr. Miller was a farmer. He died April 25, 1905.

Four children were born to them:

1. Jesse Warren Miller.
2. Edward Ross Miller.
3. Ethel Naomi Miller.
4. Lilian Miller.

2. David Wal Eicher, born December 21, 1871, is the oldest son of John and Elizabeth Eicher, and is a native of Westmoreland county. He was married February 14, 1895, to Ida Miller, and they have six children, all born at their home near Mount Pleasant:

1. Marion Lemmon Eicher.
2. Edward James Eicher.
3. Emma Elizabeth Eicher.
4. Paul Eicher.
5. Wade Eicher.
6. Iona Eicher.

After his marriage Mr. Eicher engaged in mercantile business at Indian Head, Fayette county, Pennsylvania, and subsequently continued in business at Lavansville in Somerset county, after which he bought his father's farm near Kecksburg, where he now lives.

3. Jesse Ward Eicher was born January 7, 1876, near Mount Pleasant, and was married in the city of Pittsburg, June 1, 1908, to Jessie C. McIntire, who was born in Scotland, May 15,

1880. Three children have been born to them:

1. Elizabeth Pauline Eicher.
2. John Ronald Eicher.
3. A child, name not given.

Mr. Eicher is employed in the disbursing office at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Jessie Eicher died August 29, 1913.

4. William Sheldon Eicher was born August 17, 1878, in Westmoreland county. He married Clara Elizabeth Zillmar, April 1, 1904. She was born August 14, 1883. To them two children have been born:

1. Wilber Ward Eicher.
2. Bessie Ruth Lovisa Eicher.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sheldon Eicher have their home in East Pittsburg, where he is employed in the air brake factory of the Westinghouse company.

5. Lorella May Eicher was born May 13, 1880, and died May 11, 1882.

Like the lily in the field,
When the reaper cuts it down;
It soon withers in the sun,
And, ere we know, it's gone.

So, the little, tender darlings,
Who around us sweetly glow,
In early, sweetest childhood,
From amidst our numbers go.

6. John Weaver Eicher, youngest son of

John K. and Elizabeth Eicher, was born April 29, 1882. He married Lula Brinker, May 16, 1903. Their home is at Mount Pleasant. To them five children have been born:

1. Russell Emery Eicher.
2. Helen Edith Eicher.
3. Oscar Ray Eicher.
4. Ruth Pearl Eicher.
5. Mary Elizabeth Eicher.

3. Sarah E. Weaver, the youngest daughter of John and Elizabeth Weaver, was born March 2, 1852, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. The writer had the privilege of meeting this lady in the year 1872, when she was yet in the parental home. She deserves praise for her gentle and devoted life, full of good deeds and usefulness as well as beauty.

She was married December 13, 1874, to Amos W. Stahl of Westmoreland county, He was born March 5, 1848, is a farmer and carpenter, in politics is a Democrat, and he and his wife are both members of the Church of the Brethren. Their home is four miles southeast of Mount Pleasant.

Nine children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Stahl, as follows:

1. Charles E. Stahl.
2. Ettie L. Stahl.
3. Harry M. R. Stahl.
4. W. M. F. Herbert Stahl.
5. Maurice A. Stahl.

6. John R. Stahl.
7. Josiah W. Stahl.
8. Ruth O. Stahl.
9. Catherine M. E. Stahl.

1. Charles E. Stahl, the oldest son of Amos and Sarah E. Stahl, was born in Westmoreland county, March 2, 1875. He was married February 13, 1899, to Verna Cramer and two children have been born to their union. The family home is at Scottdale, Pennsylvania. The names of the children are:

1. Lawrence Stahl.
2. Goldey Stahl.

2. Ettie L. Stahl was born October 27, 1876, in Westmoreland county. She is the oldest daughter of Amos and Sarah Stahl. She was married June 24, 1902, to Charley Bills of the same Pennsylvania county, and their home is at Brier Hill.

To them four children have been born:

1. Edith H. Bills.
2. Herbert C. M. Bills.
3. Joseph D. Bills.
4. Lewis Bills.

3. Harry M. R. Stahl, second son of Amos W. and Sarah E. Stahl, was born in Westmoreland county, September 26, 1879, and was married November 14, 1900, to Christena Ramsey. They reside at Greensburg, and have one daughter:

1. Sadie M. R. Stahl.

4. W. M. F. Herbert Stahl was born January 11, 1882, in Westmoreland county. He was married September 27, 1911, to Annis Brinker. They reside at Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania.

5. Maurice A. Stahl, the fourth son of Amos and Sarah Stahl, was born May 14, 1884, in the county of Westmoreland. He married Ada Baker, and four children have been born to them:

1. Clarence Stahl.
2. Mildred H. Stahl.
3. Blanche M. Stahl.
4. Harold Stahl.

6. John R. Stahl was born May 14, 1884, near Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, and has his home at North Braddock. He came to La-Grange county, Indiana, in 1911, to attend the second Horner family reunion, held that year at the home of Jeremiah Horner, near Mongo, and he remained in Indiana for a year. He is an all-round industrious young man, and while with his kinsfolk in Indiana made himself a first-rate farmer.

7. Josiah W. Stahl, the youngest son of Amos W. and Sarah E. Stahl, was born in Westmoreland county November 14, 1890. His home at present is at McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania.

8. Ruth O. Stahl was born November 19, 1893, in Westmoreland county. The writer and his wife met Ruth when she was yet in the home of her parents. Doubtless, by this time, she has

made a good choice, like her namesake of old.

9. Catherine M. E. Stahl was born February 22, 1897, the youngest child of Amos W. and Sarah E. Stahl. Catherine, your name reminds the writer of his mother, whose name was Catherine, and a most devoted christian mother she was. And this ends the biography of Amos W. and Sarah E. Stahl.

4. Lewis H. Weaver was born July 18, 1854, in Westmoreland county, near Mount Pleasant, the only son of John and Elizabeth Weaver, and the youngest of their children. He grew up to be a farmer and carpenter, and was married October 28, 1887, to Margaret A. Barnhart, who was born February 8, 1854, near Greensburg, in the same county. After living some years at the home of his father they moved to Pitcairn, where he worked as a carpenter nine years. After that he bought a farm near Newtonsburg, where they are now living.

To them seven children have been born:

1. Alberta Clay Weaver.
2. Rebecca Maude Weaver.
3. Mary Elma Weaver.
4. John William Weaver.
5. Myrtle Edith Weaver.
6. Cyrus Noel Weaver.
7. Paul Barnhart Weaver.

1. Alberta Clay Weaver was born February 4, 1880, and died a few months later.

2. Rebecca Maud Weaver, second daughter of Lewis H. and Margaret Weaver, was born March 4, 1881, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. Rebecca married William Ludwick, and they live at Cape May, New Jersey, on their own farm.

3. Mary Elma Weaver, born October 31, 1882, was the second child of these parents to die. At eight years of age, November 3, 1900, she was suddenly taken sick and passed away.

4. John William Weaver was born June 4, 1884, and died August 24, 1884.

5. Myrtle Edith Weaver, born July 5, 1886, is at home with her parents.

6. Cyrus Noel Weaver was born December 25, 1891, and died at the age of eleven years, six months and four days.

7. Paul Barnhart Weaver, youngest child of Lewis H. and Margaret A. Weaver, was born March 5, 1895. He is at home with his parents, helping in the work of the farm.

CHAPTER NINE

WILLIAM HORNER, the fourth son of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, near the borough of Mount Pleasant, on November 4, 1817.

He grew up in the home, receiving no great amount of schooling, but developed into a most worthy man, of mild and quiet nature, honest in his dealings, enjoying the respect and love of his neighbors, always providing well for his family.

He was married in 1838 or 1839 to Mary Graham, who was born April 22, 1818, and soon after this marriage Mr. Horner bought a farm near Dawson, Fayette county, Pennsylvania, where they lived until after the war of the Rebellion. Then he sold his farm and with his family came to LaGrange county, Indiana, and became the owner of an eighty acre tract of beautiful and productive land, near Mongo.

Mary Graham Horner died January 23, 1852, and on January 22, 1853, Mr. Horner married Mary Milhuff of Fayette county, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Horner were both members of the German Baptist church, and in politics he was a Republican.

William Horner died September 3, 1887, and

Mary Milhuff Horner died March 1, 1896. They are laid to rest in the English Prairie cemetery, near Brighton, in LaGrange county.

To William and Mary Graham Horner were born the following children:

1. Lizzie Horner, born October 30, 1840.
2. Daniel Horner, born October 18, 1842.
3. John Horner, born, November 23, 1844.
4. Noah Horner, born April 15, 1846.
5. Mary J. Horner, b. September 15, 1849.
6. Anna Horner, born December 20, 1851.

To William and Mary Milhuff Horner were born the following named children:

7. Jeremiah Horner, born October 15, 1854.
8. Catherine Horner, b. December 9, 1857.
9. William Horner, Jr, born May 6, 1860.

1. Lizzie Horner, eldest daughter of William and Mary Graham Horner, was born near Dawson, Fayette county, Pennsylvania. She was a beautiful girl, lovingly reared by her parents. March 8, 1860, she was married to James Laughry, and they soon afterward moved to Iowa, locating at Missouri Valley, where Mr. Laughry engaged in business at a tailor. He died May 4, 1902, and after some years Mrs. Laughrey, having failed in health, came to LaGrange county, Indiana, and made her home with her sister, Mary J. Garlets, but in a short time died, December 15, 1906. They had no children.

2. Daniel Horner, the eldest son of William and Mary Graham Horner, was born in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, and at the age of eighteen years enlisted in the Union army. After two years at the front he fell with fatal wounds, and his body is buried with the many who died in the hospital at Washington.

There is a song of sweet solemnity, with this for its refrain:

“Brave boys are they, gone at their country’s call;
And yet, and yet, we cannot forget,
How many brave boys must fall.”

3. John Horner, the second son of William and Mary Horner, born in Fayette county, was also a boy soldier of the Republic. He enlisted with his brother Daniel and after the latter died he became melancholy and died from exposure, or, perhaps, was killed on the field of battle. He sleeps in an unknown grave.

4. Noah Horner, the third son of William and Mary Graham Horner, was born at their home in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, and was reared at the farm home near Dawson. At sixteen years of age he enlisted in Company A of the Second Pennsylvania regiment, with which he went in the Virginia campaign of 1864, and was captured at the battle of Cold Harbor in the assaults upon the Confederate works. He was taken to Libby prison and six months later

sent to the military prison camp at Andersonville, Georgia, where he received the most cruel and inhuman treatment. When the war closed in the following year and the prisoners were released, Noah Horner returned to his home. December 1, 1866, he was married to Eliza (Milhuff) Gress, of Fayette county.

She was a widow and had two children:

1. Loretta Gress.
2. Elmer Gress.

Noah Horner and his family moved to the state of Indiana at the time his father, William Horner, and family, moved, in 1867 or 1869, and located near Mongo, and there remained for some time, after which lived for a number of years at Grassy lake.

Four children were born to them:

1. Emma Horner.
2. Lizzie Horner.
3. John Wesley Horner.
4. Stella Horner.

Mrs. Horner died July 27, 1893, after which Mr. Horner lived with his son, John, at Grassy lake, near Mongo.

Loretta Gress, daughter of Eliza (Gress) Horner, was born in Fayette county, Pennsylvania. She married William Hoops of Mongo, Indiana, and, after some years in LaGrange county moved to Michigan, and finally to Tacoma, Washington, where they now reside.

They have six children.

2. Elmer Gress, son of Eliza Gress Horner, born in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, married Susanna Hedges of LaGrange county, Indiana. They are engaged in farming near Mongo. One child was born to them:

Mabel Lucile Gress, born December 15, 1901.

1. Emma Horner was born August 2, 1866, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, and accompanied her parents to Indiana. She was a bright and beautiful girl, loved by all who knew her. She married Franklin Hoops of Mongo, and not long afterward died, March 15, 1893.

2. Lizzie Horner was born March 2, 1872, near Mongo, Indiana, the second daughter of Noah and Eliza Horner. She, also, was a bright and pretty girl, but her life was brief. She died, of scarlet fever, April 4, 1878, aged six years, one month and two days.

3. John Wesley Horner, only son of Noah and Eliza Horner, was born in LaGrange county, Indiana, November 24, 1874. The writer has known John Wesley from his childhood. When a little boy he was handsome and he yet retains his good looks. His dark black hair and blue eyes make him a good-looking man. Don't they, Belle?

John was married September 2, 1893, to Rosa Belle Cook of LaGrange county. She was born August 12, 1874. After their honeymoon season they went to farming and they are still continuing the trip. Mrs. Horner is a helpful

and loving wife, much interested in her husband and two boys. They make their home on a farm of one hundred and ninety acres, near Brushy Prairie, LaGrange county, rented to them by the writer. Noah Horner, father of John, makes his home with them.

To them two sons have been born:

1. Franklin Horner.
2. Charles Horner.

1. Franklin Horner, oldest son of John W. and Rosa Belle Horner, was born September 24, 1899, near Grassy lake, LaGrange county. He is an industrious and promising young man, assisting his father on the farm and a student in the high school at Brushy Prairie.

2. Charles Horner, youngest son of John Wesley and Rosa Belle Horner, was born near Grassy lake, LaGrange county, September 16, 1904. He is one of the finest boys among the Horners that the writer has seen, and he has seen a good many of them.

4. Stella Horner, the youngest daughter of Noah and Eliza Horner, was born in LaGrange county, February 22, 1885. When she was about eight years of age, her mother died, and after that sad event, as she grew up she was of great help to her father. She married Glen Huss, of LaGrange county, and they are farming, with their home two miles east of Mongo.

Two children have been born to them:

1. Warren L. Huss.
2. Vera Belle Huss.

5. Mary J. Horner was born in the county of Fayette, Pennsylvania, near Dawson, September 15, 1849. She moved with her parents to Indiana when eighteen years of age. She obtained a good education in the common schools and grew up to be an intelligent and helpful young woman, highly esteemed by all. She was married May 26, 1869, to John P. Garlets, who was born August 18, 1847, in Tuscarawas county, Ohio, and came to Indiana with his parents in 1862 or 1863. He was the oldest son of Peter Garlets, who was born in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, and lived near the Allegheny mountains.

John and Mary Garlets lived for a number of years on a farm a mile and a half east of Mongo, LaGrange county, and after his mother died they moved upon his father's place, three miles north of Mongo, John becoming the owner of this homestead after the death of his father. After living there several years they bought a town property in Mongo, where John died, March 9, 1913, aged sixty-five years, seven months and two days. Subsequent to his death his widow made her home with her grandson, Milton Garlets.

Four children were born to John and Mary Garlets, three of whom died in infancy.

1. Charles J. Garlets, born April 1, 1870.

Charles J. Garlets was born near Mongo, Indiana. He was reared on his father's farm, and fell heir to the same, which he keeps in a condition of excellent productiveness. He married Almeda Cook of Logan county, Ohio, July 15, 1888, and two children have been born to them:

1. Milton Garlets.
2. Thelma Garlets.

Milton Garlets was born near Mongo, Indiana, January 1, 1890. He married Elizabeth Gochenaur, of Mongo, and their home is shared by his grandmother, Mary J. Garlets. After living some time on a rented farm near Mongo, they have occupied the farm of his father, Charles J. Garlets, who has moved to the town of Mongo.

Milton Garlets and wife have one son.

Thelma Garlets, daughter of Charles J. and Almeda Garlets, is now a student in the high school at Mongo.

6. Anna Horner, the youngest daughter of William and Mary Graham Horner, was born near Dawson, Fayette county, Pennsylvania, and moved with her parents to LaGrange county, Indiana, when a young girl. She was married October 28, 1877, to Martin Swarm, who was born March 16, 1851, in Stark county, Ohio, and came to Indiana in 1875. They have their home on a small farm south of Mongo,

owned by Mr. Swarm, who also conducts a harness shop in the town.

To them six children have been born:

1. Olive Swarm.
2. William Swarm.
3. Fern Swarm.
4. Joyce Swarm.
5. Sterling Swarm.
6. Florence Swarm.

1. Olive Swarm was born near Mongo, January 7, 1875, the oldest daughter of Martin and Anna Swarm. She married William Vaughn of Mongo, who died in 1907.

To them six children were born.

2. William Swarm, the oldest son of Martin and Anna Swarm, was born August 2, 1878, near Mongo. He married Margaret Gay of near Orland, Indiana.

3. Fern Swarm was born near Mongo, August 16, 1890, the second daughter of Martin and Anna Swarm. She married James Immel of the vicinity of Mongo, and they lived on their farm near Brushy Prairie, where Mr. Immel also maintained a blacksmith shop, until his death in 1914.

To them two children were born.

4. Joyce Swarm was born October 2, 1891, near Mongo, Indiana, and married Samuel Wise of the same county, whose residence was near Orland. To their union one child has been born.

5. Sterling Swarm was born May 29, 1893, near Mongo, the youngest son of Martin and Anna Swarm.

6. Florence Swarm, youngest daughter of Martin and Anna Swarm, was born November 7, 1894.

7. Jeremiah Horner, the oldest son of William and Mary (Milhuff) Horner, was born in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, October 15, 1854, near Dawson. He grew up on the farm, and took his father's place on the farm when his father had become aged. After his father died he and his brother William bought the homestead, living there, their mother with them, until her death. Then Jeremiah and William lived there alone for a number of years, until, after the death of William, Jeremiah had his nephew, Earl Willson, move in with him. Jeremiah Horner died March 11, 1914.

8. Catherine Horner was born December 9, 1857, near Dawson, Pennsylvania. She was the only daughter of William and Mary Milhuff Horner. As a young woman, of good education, she taught school for some time, until she was married, December 9, 1880, to Melvin Eugene Willson, of LaGrange county, Indiana. He was born June 1, 1858, son of William and Elizabeth Willson. His mother was born in Sandusky county, Ohio, April 13, 1830.

Mr. and Mrs. Willson have a good farm home

northeast of Mongo and near that place. Mrs. Willson is a member of the Brethren church.

To their union four children have been born:

1. Lloyd Earl Willson.
2. Marvin E. Willson.
3. Corda Alice Willson.
4. Roy M. Willson.

1. Lloyd Earl Willson, oldest son of Melvin E. and Catherine Willson, was born May 21, 1882, near Mongo. He married Lena Opal Spero of Brushy Prairie, LaGrange county, and two children have been born to them.

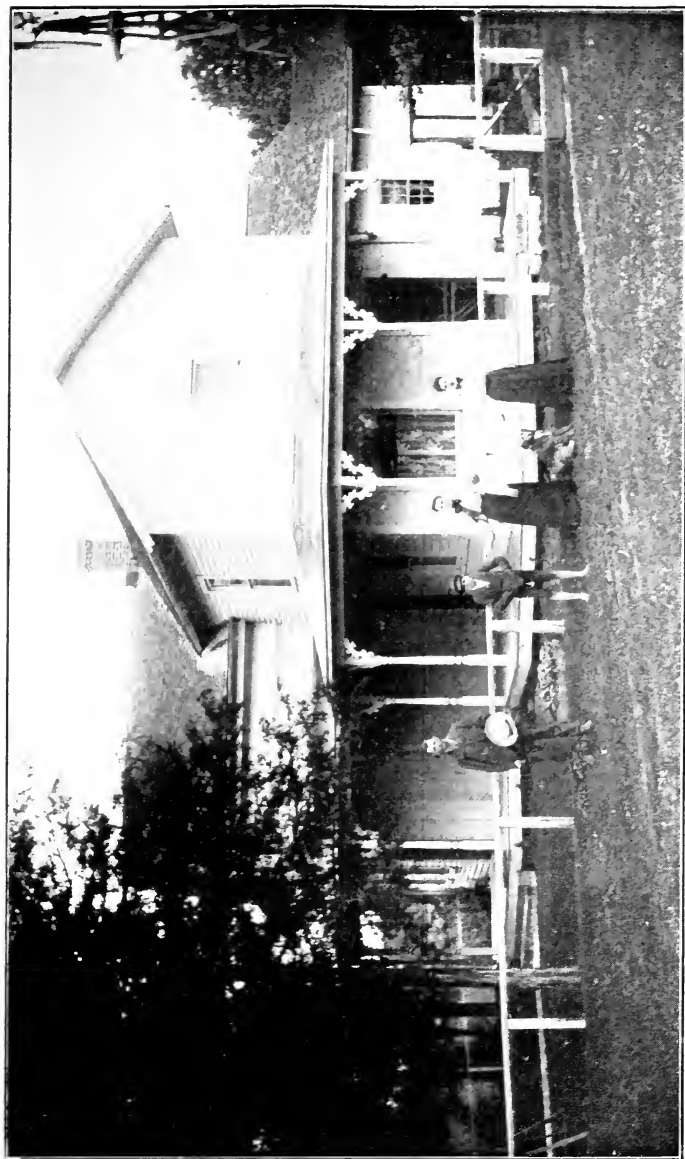
Mr. and Mrs. Willson are now located on the homestead farm of William Horner, three miles northeast of Mongo.

Marvin E. Willson, born near Mongo, March 7, 1888, a bright and industrious boy, died as the result of a wound in the foot, August 23, 1900.

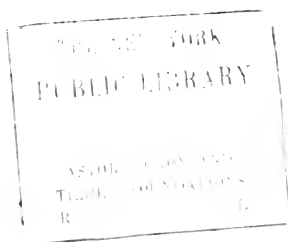
Corda Alice Willson, the only daughter of Melvin E. and Catherine Willson, was born in LaGrange county, Indiana, May 10, 1890. She is a well-educated young woman, who devotes herself to the duties of the home, assisting her mother. She is a member of the Brethren church.

Roy M. Willson, the youngest son of Melvin E. and Catherine Willson, was born near Mongo, Indiana, February 15, 1896. He is an industrious young man, at home assisting his father in the work of the farm.

9. William Horner, Junior, the youngest son of William and Mary Milhuff Horner, was born May 6, 1860, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, and accompanied his parents to LaGrange county, Indiana, when he was about seven or eight years old. He was of a quiet, peaceful nature, never having trouble with anyone. He and his brother, Jeremiah, bought the old homestead after their father died, and they lived there together, both unmarried, for about twenty years. "Billy," as he was usually called, enjoyed himself much at hunting and fishing and he generally had more luck than ordinary mortals. He died December 31, 1909.



Home of Eli Horner in LaGrange county, Indiana, now home of Elias L. Horner
The Author and Wife, Corda L. Horner and Ernest Horner.



CHAPTER TEN

ELI HORNER was born May 12, 1820, near the town of Mount Pleasant, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, the fifth son of Jacob and Catherine(Beeghly) Horner. Eli like his father, grew up as a farmer, with the small amount of schooling then available. He was an intelligent man and much of a reader, particularly of the Bible, Josephus, Pilgrim's Progress and other noted books, and he always took a church paper and his county papers. In politics he was a Republican, but he expressed himself mildly and was always ready to exchange opinions tolerantly.

February 11, 1845, he was married to Catherine Mohler of Myersdale, Pennsylvania. She was born at Myersdale, in Somerset county, August 26, 1826, next to the youngest daughter of Frederic and Anna Mohler, who immigrated from Germany about the year 1790.

There were born to Eli and Catherine Horner twelve children, ten sons and two daughters.

In early manhood Eli Horner and his youngest brother, Moses, after marriage, bought the old farm home that their father, Jacob, had once owned, but after living there several years they sold the place and Eli Horner moved to Fayette county, and Moses to the eastern part of Westmoreland, near Stahlstown, where he had bought land.

After going to Fayette county Eli Horner bought about sixty acres near Dawson, where he continued to farm until 1852, when he sold out and moved with his family, then four children, to Ashland county, Ohio, purchasing a farm of 130 acres of fairly good clay land near the town of Orange. This was the family home until the fall of 1866.

While Eli and Catherine Horner were living on this Ohio farm six sons were born to them.

After the war of the rebellion, in the fall of 1866, Eli and Catherine Horner, with their children, moved to LaGrange county, Indiana, buying six hundred acres of land, sandy gravel soil, near the small town then called Lexington. This land Eli Horner continued in the management of for a number of years, later selling portions of it to his sons. After the death of his wife he disposed of all his land, and made his home with his son, Elias L. Horner, until his death.

Catherine Horner died April 11, 1893, aged sixty-six years, seven months and fifteen days; Eli Horner died March 1, 1896, aged seventy-five years, nine months and nineteen days.

They were both devoted members of the German Baptist church until the division of 1888 after which they were members of the Brethren church. Catherine Horner was a kind and pious mother, of a quiet disposition, who took much pride in the care of her large family.

She always taught the children to be honest and upright in all their dealings; she was a true Christian and taught her children the ways of wisdom and holiness. She gave much care and thought to the poor and the sick, was always ready to help in time of need, and was indeed a kind and helpful mother to all. She gave her all in behalf of the children dear to her and at last, when her physical strength gave out, she died a triumphant death.

Names of the children of Eli and Catherine (Mohler) Horner:

1. William Horner.
2. Annah Horner.
3. Elias Louden Horner.
4. Joseph Horner.
5. Catherine Horner.
6. Isaiah Horner.
7. Emanuel M. Horner.
8. Alpheus A. Horner.
9. Milton Eli Horner.
10. Irvin Oscar Horner.
11. Mirton W. Horner.
12. Charles Nuton Horner.

Nine of these sons grew up to manhood and never used tobacco in any form, or strong drink of any kind.

1. William Horner was born March 8, 1846, near Mount Pleasant, and died February 20, 1851, aged five years less eighteen days. He died in Fayette county and was laid to rest in

a little burying spot on his father's farm. The writer visited this spot in 1908, but no mark remained to show his resting place.

The little brother's spirit
Long since has taken flight;
His body only
Moulders in the grave.

2. Annah Horner was born May 15, 1847, in Westmoreland county, the oldest daughter of Eli and Catherine (Mohler) Horner. As a young woman she was socially agreeable and popular and a help at home as well as a good student in school. In girlhood she became a member of the German Baptist church and in later years she joined the Brethren church. She was married in LaGrange county, Indiana, November 13, 1872, to Joseph L. Swihart. He was the son of Daniel and Sarah Swihart, and was born March 7, 1849. Mr. Swihart is a successful farmer, owning a large and beautiful farm near Brighton, LaGrange county, with first-rate improvements. For some years he has been retired from active effort, his sons doing the farming.

To Joseph and Annah Swihart five children have been born:

1. Aura M. Swihart.
2. Rollin J. Swihart.
3. Jason Earl Swihart.

4. Alma Edith Swihart.
5. Bertha Agnes Swihart.

1. Aura M. Swihart was born March 31, 1875, the oldest daughter of Joseph L. and Annah Swihart. Her birthplace was near Brighton, LaGrange county. She obtained a good education, graduating in the home schools and afterward attending the college at Oberlin, Ohio. She was married to Christian G. Wolfe, of Lima, Indiana. He is a native of Germany, born near Wittenberg, June 20, 1877. Their home is at Lima, where Mr. Wolfe is engaged in buying and shipping grain. Before entering this business he was a farmer. Both are members of the Brethren church, at Brighton.

Christian and Aura Wolfe have one daughter.

1. Catherine Madeline Wolfe, born December 30, 1912.

2. Rollin J. Swinehart was born April 11, 1877, near Brighton, LaGrange county, Indiana. the oldest son of Joseph and Annah Swihart. He was reared on the farm, with a good education. In 1904 he went to Galveston, Texas, and later to San Francisco, California, where he found employment. He was at San Francisco at the time of the great earthquake and fire, which he describes as follows:

“On the morning of April 10, 1906, at 5:15, I was very suddenly and severely shaken by a strong and powerful arm (an earthquake),

which apparently had the whole city in its grip. There was an awful rumbling and shaking and rocking of everything visible. It cannot be imagined by any one who has not experienced it. The chairs in my room danced around, the plastering fell in clouds, the stove upset, and I began to think I was doomed. The most powerful shock lasted perhaps two minutes, during which time I was indeed spell-bound. The door being wedged fast I made my escape through a window and down from the second floor. In the streets the scene was awful, buildings toppling down on every hand and great fissures opening in the ground. The people were fleeing panic-stricken. Such was the scene in all parts of the city."

Shortly after the earthquake Mr. Swihart returned to Indiana, and on February 22, 1911, he was married to Mamie Keim of near Sturgis, Michigan. She was born near that town, August 27, 1885. They are living upon a farm one half mile west of Brighton, Indiana, and are members of the Brethren church there, of which Mr. Swihart is a trustee. One son has been born to them:

1. Richard Earl Swihart, born in LaGrange county, Indiana, December 19, 1911.

3. Jason Earl Swihart, the second son of Joseph L. and Annah Swihart, was born March 9, 1879, near Brighton, Indiana. He is one of the well educated and efficient farmers of his

locality. He is unmarried and farms on his father's place, making a specialty of fattening lambs from the Chicago market for shipment to Buffalo.

4. Alma Edith Swihart, daughter of Joseph and Annah Swihart, was born in LaGrange county, Indiana, January 9, 1881. After completing her high school course she, with her younger sister, Bertha, attended the university at Ashland, Ohio. On April 14, 1909, she was married to Roy McDonald, who was born December 1, 1883, in Missouri. One son has been born to them:

1. Malcolm Shelly McDonald, born in LaGrange county, Indiana, March 29, 1914.

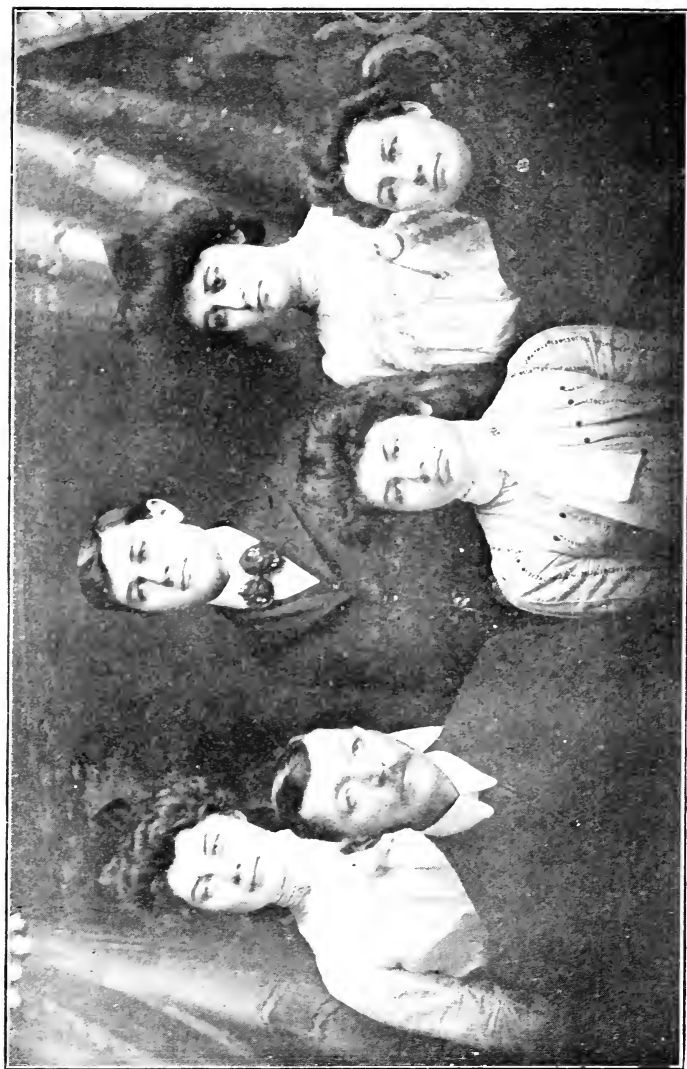
5. Bertha Agnes Swihart, youngest child of Joseph and Annah Swihart, was born near the town of Brighton, in LaGrange county, Indiana, June 27, 1883. She is well educated and has given much time to study and teaching in the Sunday school. She is a member of the Brethren church. On June 2, 1910, she was married to Albert Merrifield, who was born in LaGrange county, July 2, 1881. Two children have been born to them:

1. Joanna Harriet Merrifield, born June 1, 1911, at Chicago, Illinois.

2. Alberta Carlotta Merrifield, born at Chicago, Illinois.

3. Elias Louden Horner, the second son of

Eli and Catherine (Mohler) Horner, was born near Dawson, Fayette county, Pennsylvania, May 30, 1848. He was reared to manhood in the home of his parents and brought up as a farmer and farming has always been his occupation. The writer can remember his mother telling that he was none of the worst of boys and that he was always at something helpful, and he can well remember when he first helped his father at the farm work, and when he was first sent to school, at the age of ten years. He was accustomed to speaking the "Pennsylvania Dutch" in the family at home, obtaining no knowledge of the English, so that it was a hard task to get a start in school, with the old McGuffey spellers and readers, and only three or four months school in the year, and frequently kept out of that to help on the farm. Father had a large sugar grove, which was opened usually the first of March, and father would say, "Aleyos, do blibst der hame now," (Elias, you must stay at home now), and don't you know, that sounded good to Elias, for he would rather stay at home and work in the sugar grove than go to school; and Brother Joe would say, "Papa, can't I stay at home too, and help make sugar?" And father would say, "Yes, you may stay too." Joe also liked sugar. Parents in that day were not expected or compelled to send their children to school as they are nowadays, and parents did not give their



E. L. Horner and Family

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children school advantages such as they have now. However, some went to high school and to college and were well educated. The writer at that time preferred to work on the farm, but since he has grown older he has often regretted that he did not better improve such opportunities as he had for going to school. After he came of age he worked at the carpenter's trade several years and soon realized the value of education. Like his father he enjoyed traveling in his youth and he yet sometimes takes a trip. In 1872 he spent nearly six weeks visiting friends and relatives in Ohio and Pennsylvania and in the late fall of 1874, in company with a cousin, John Steirnagle, went about one hundred and seventy-five miles north into Michigan on a hunting expedition, and shot two deer, one weighing 240 pounds. In the same winter the writer, with his sister Catherine, visited in Ohio a month, and in the fall of 1876, the centennial year, with his cousin, Esly Coder, then of Dawson, Pensylvania, he went to Philadelphia by way of Washington. In 1877, with a cousin, William Mohler, the writer drove from LaGrange county, Indiana, to Wood county, Ohio, with a team and wagon, which we sold to Daniel M. Horner, who had moved there from Pennsylvania, as mentioned in a former chapter. Again, in 1878, the writer went to Waterloo, Iowa, where he visited with a host of friends and for the first time met the family of

Abraham Horner, who was the son of David, a brother of Jacob Horner, the ancestor of those named in this little history. In returning from Iowa, the writer took a southern route by way of Terre Haute and Clay City, where he has near relatives on his mother's side, the Steir-nagles, who came from near Myersdale, Pennsylvania, in early days, and located in Clay and Owen counties, Indiana.

The writer knew of a young lady in Owen county, Sarah Ellen Keagy, to whom he was married on March 17, 1878, Saint Patrick's day. She is the daughter of Patrick and Magdalena Keagy. Patrick Keagy was reared by foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Beeghley, who lived at Myersdale, Pennsylvania. Magdalena Keagy was a daughter of George and Sarah Long, who lived at an early day on the eastern slope of the Allegheny mountains, near Myersdale.

Since the marriage of the writer to Sarah Ellen Keagy they have lived in LaGrange county, Indiana, engaged in farming until 1913, when they sold their farm, part of the old homestead, and bought several acres adjoining the town of Brighton, where, during the year 1914, they built them a home, in which the writer is preparing this history.

Mrs. Horner, also, enjoys the visiting with relatives. In the fall of 1878 they attended the Brethren conference at Ashland that year, near

the boyhood home of the writer, and in 1882, with our son, Melvin, Mrs. Horner visited her parents and many friends in Owen county. In 1884, Mrs. Horner, with our oldest daughter, Joyce, went to Owen county to see her father, who died while she was there, May 3, 1884, and in 1887 Mrs. Horner was again in Owen county to visit her mother. In 1889 or 1890 Mr. and Mrs. Horner, with their daughter, Sylvia, visited many friends in Kansas, where Mrs. Horner has two brothers and the writer one brother living. In 1893, with their two oldest children, the writer and his wife attended the World's Fair at Chicago, and were there on Chicago Day, when seven hundred thousand people were in attendance. In 1895 Mr. and Mrs. Horner attended the Keagy family reunion, at Tiffin, in Seneca county, Ohio. In 1896 they went to Holmes and Tuscarawas counties, Ohio, where there are many relatives, and in 1892 Mrs. Horner, with the youngest daughter, Corda, visited relatives of the Long family in Barry county, Michigan. In 1901 Mrs. Horner and two of the daughters attended the Keagy reunion in Seneca county, Ohio. In 1906 Mr. Horner, with Edward Keagy of Coshocton, Ohio, a cousin of Mrs. Horner, made the long-desired trip to California, visiting at Sunnyside, Washington, his brother, Emanuel Horner. Again in 1907 the writer and his wife visited their relatives and friends both in Ohio

and Pennsylvania, and in the fall of the same year went to the Long reunion at Clarksville, Michigan. In 1908 they attended the Long reunion at Clay City, Indiana; in 1909 they went to the Long reunion at Ottawa, Kansas; in 1911 Mrs. Horner attended the Long reunion at Clarksville, Michigan; 1912 Mrs. Horner and her sister, Mrs. Lint, of Lima, Indiana, were present at the Long reunion at Clay City. In the summer of 1913 the writer spent six very pleasant weeks in Kansas and Iowa. While in Kansas we visited our brother, Charles Nutton Horner, who lives at Fredonia, and from there went to Washington county, where we met our cousin, Christopher Myers Horner and family, for the first time and enjoyed very much the friendship and hospitality. After returning home the writer and his wife spent the rest of the summer with our son-in-law and his wife, Earl and Sylvia Curtis, residing near Lima, Indiana, after which we moved to Brighton late in the fall of that year.

Mr. and Mrs. Horner and all their children are members of the Brethren church at Brighton. Four children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Elias L. Horner:

1. Melvin Arta Horner.
2. Joyce Viola Horner.
3. Sylvia Tressa Horner.
4. Corda Lena Horner.

1. Melvin Arta Horner, the first and only son of Elias L. and Sarah E. Horner, was born near Brighton, Indiana, February 11, 1879. He grew up in the home, an industrious and helpful boy, attended the common schools and completed his education in the schools of Sturgis, Michigan, and Elkhart, Indiana. He was a willing helper on the farm, naturally loved to be around horses and faithfully cared for the stock of the farm and anything entrusted to him, till he had reached the age of twenty-three years. Afterward he worked at the concrete business for several years. He went with his father to the World's fair when he was a boy, and afterward he attended the Buffalo and the Saint Louis expositions. In August, 1909, he sailed for Alaska, where he has since made his home, occasionally doing some work for the government and giving some time to prospecting for minerals. His present address is Seaward, Alaska. He is much interested in public affairs and in politics is a Republican. In 1913 he went with Mr. Hesse of Seaward to Katimai mountain, to make camera pictures of the great boiling crater. They used snow shoes to cross the great depth of ashes surrounding the crater. Among the pictures they obtained was one of a rock twelve feet in diameter which had been blown two miles from the mouth of the volcano.

Joyce Viola Horner, the oldest daughter of Elias L. and Sarah E. Horner, was born near

Brighton, LaGrange county, March 19, 1880. As a girl she was a great help in the home and interested in the school work. She was educated in the home schools and select schools at Mongo and Sturgis. August 4, 1909, she was married to Glen Earl Rumsey, who was born March 3, 1885, at Sherwood, Michigan. They made their home at Jackson, Michigan, where Mr. Rumsey was employed by the Michigan Central railroad company. After a year on the farm Mr. Rumsey resumed that employment, and they have bought a comfortable home, and are now living, at 1510 East Ganson street, Jackson, Michigan. Mr. Rumsey has been employed as motorman with the street car company. Both are members of the Brethren church.

One daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Rumsey:

1. Josephine Frances Rumsey, born August 22, 1914, at Jackson, Michigan.

3. Sylvia Tressa Horner, daughter of Elias L. and Sarah E. Horner, was born August 28, 1882, near Brighton, Indiana. She began her school work at the age of six years, and going through the lower grades, she attended the high schools at Brighton and LaGrange, graduating at the latter. She also gave some time to the study of music. She was married September 20, 1905, at Lima, Indiana, to Earl Curtis, who was born at that town December 28, 1882.

Their home is upon a beautiful prairie farm, about three miles northeast of Lima, near Cedar lake. Mr. Curtis is a hustler at farm work and is the owner of two farms. He was educated in the Lima high school and was in the livery business before going on the farm. His parents are of English birth, coming from that country to settle in Lima.

Earl and Sylvia Curtis have had one daughter:

Norma Ellen, born February 1, 1912, who died February 4, 1912.

4. Corda Lena Horner, youngest daughter of Elias L. and Sarah Horner, was born near Brighton, Indiana, September 4, 1885. She was graduated at the LaGrange high school, after which she obtained a teacher's certificate and taught school for several years. She also gave some attention to the study of music. May 6, 1908, she was married to Walter Earl Barnes of Plato, LaGrange county. He was born at that place, December 24, 1885, is a farmer, and owns a good sized and productive farm, upon which they have their home, near Plato.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes have two children:

1. Ralph Devon Barnes, born at their home near Plato, September 20, 1910, now a wide-awake boy in his fifth year who enjoys nothing so much as riding in the automobile.

2. Mildred Irene Barnes, born July 23,

1914, a pretty maiden with rosy cheeks and black eyes.

4. Joseph Horner, son of Eli and Catherine (Mohler) Horner, was born August 17, 1850, near Dawson, Fayette county, Pennsylvania. He was but two years old when the family moved to Ashland county, Ohio. He was well educated in the common schools, and grew up a farmer. He came with his parents to Indiana in the fall of 1866. After farming on his father's place for some years, he was married, on July 4, 1880, to Lorinda Hall, at Mongo, LaGrange county. She was born November 1, 1858, the oldest daughter of George and Margaret Hall. They are located on a beautiful farm, with a comfortable home, one half mile north of Brighton. Both are members of the Brethren church. Mr. Horner is a good farmer and gives considerable attention to the winter fattening of western lambs for the East Buffalo market.

Joseph and Lorinda Hall have had three children born to them:

1. Alta Adella Horner.
2. Florence M. Horner.
3. Cecil Horner.

1. Alta Adella Horner was born near the town of Brighton, LaGrange county, Indiana, March 25, 1882, the eldest daughter of Joseph and Lorinda Horner.

She obtained a good education in the home schools and was graduated in music at a school at Rochester, Indiana, after which she taught music for a number of years. She was married to Melvin Gibbons of Rochester, Indiana, who was born May 11, 1873, at Richland Center, Indiana. She is a member of the Brethren church. Mr. Gibbons is employed as a salesman by a packing house at Indianapolis.

One child has been born to Melvin and Alta Gibbons, a daughter.

2. Florence M. Horner was born January 18, 1886, near Brighton, Indiana, the second daughter of Joseph and Lorinda Horner. She obtained a good education, studying at the Brighton centralized school and graduating at the Lima high school, after which she taught for a number of years at Brighton. She was married November 27, 1913, to William F. Wolf, of Vanburen township, LaGrange county, where he was born May 20, 1886. Mr. Wolf is of German descent, his parents coming from Germany in 1884. They had lived near Wittenberg, Germany.

3. Cecil Horner, the only son of Joseph and Lorinda Horner, was born near Brighton, Indiana, March 29, 1892. He was a pupil in the common schools, graduated in the Lima high school, took a short course at Rochester, Indiana, and later entered Purdue university, where he is taking a course in civil engineering.

5. Catherine Horner, the youngest daughter of Eli and Catherine Horner, was born March 12, 1852, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, and died September 25, 1888, aged thirty-six years, six months and thirteen days. She was a devoted Christian lady, like a mother to younger brothers, helpful to her mother. She was a member of the German Baptist church and later of the Brethren church. The memory of her yet lingers among those who knew her, as a memory of truth and devotion.

6. Isaiah Horner, son of Eli and Catherine Horner, was born September 16, 1854, near the village of Orange, Ashland county, Ohio. He grew up on the farm and when a small boy lived for several years in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hess. He joined the German Baptist church in early life and was chosen to the ministry. He was for some time engaged in the ministry, until the division of the church, when he left the ministry and went into northern Michigan, where he invested in land, about the year 1884 or 1885. In 1886 he sold this land and moved to Iowa. Later he moved to Kansas and located near Peabody, in Marion county, where he became interested in silk culture. He had an interview with the governor of Kansas, and the state appropriated seven thousand dollars towards getting the industry started, the object being to furnish work to the needy. Mr.

Horner was appointed president of the organization and the enterprise was progressing well when in the fall of 1887 Mr. Horner was discharged by the higher authorities. A large building had been erected and a ten acre plat of ground had been laid out in lots, of which quite a number had been sold at high prices, but after the discharge of Mr. Horner, the enterprise collapsed. He was requested by the governor to see if a similar plant could not be established at Kansas City, which he undertook to do, but was taken sick with malarial fever and died at Kansas City. He had married Ida Wenze of Emporia, Kansas, May 15, 1887.

Upon the death of Isaiah Horner the writer went to Kansas City to bring back his body for burial, and his widow, coming with the body to Indiana, remained in the home of Eli and Catherine Horner, and on February 16, 1888, a son was born to her, Isaiah Vernon Horner, shortly after which she went back to her own people in Kansas.

Isaiah Vernon Horner ^{died Dec. 7, 1887, and was} ~~was born February 16,~~ buried in the English Prairie cemetery in La-Grange county, Indiana.

Isaiah Vernon Horner was born February 16, 1888. He grew up in the home of his mother and received a good education. He taught for some years and was principal of high schools in the city of Independence, Kansas. Later he went to Mexico and became interested in the

development and sale of plantations for the production of the fibre plant used for binder twine. He himself bought five hundred acres at five dollars an acre and was expecting good returns when the war began. He then went into Texas, near Brownsville and became interested in land and cashier of a bank.

7. Emanuel M. Horner, the fifth son of Eli and Catherine Horner, was born April 25, 1856, in Ashland county, Ohio. He grew up as a farmer, with an education in the common schools, and on March 30, 1886, was married to Jennie H. Lichty, of near Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania. After his marriage he engaged in mercantile business at Scottdale, Pennsylvania, after which he moved to LaGrange county, Indiana, where he engaged in farming for a number of years, owning at different times four different farms. Then he moved to Constantine, Michigan, and bought a farm, but, his wife's health failing, he took her back to Pennsylvania, where she died August 5, 1895, aged thirty-three years, eleven months and twelve days.

Emanuel and Jennie Horner had two children born to them:

1. Charles V. Horner.
2. Margaret V. Horner.

Charles Horner was born March 16, 1887, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, at Scott-

dale, the only son of the first union. After coming of age he went to the state of Washington and located in the Yakima valley, at Sunnyside, where his father then lived. He had attended common school at Brighton, Indiana, finishing in 1903, and after going to Sunnyside, attended the high school there. In the summer and fall of 1906 he took a course in short hand and accounting at Seattle, preparatory to returning to Sunnyside to take a position in the bank, but sickness changed his plans, and he accepted an appointment with the United States Reclamation Service as a field clerk, in the construction department, and, a year later, in the maintenance department, having charge of the water records of the canal. January 17, 1910, he was married at Tacoma to Elizabeth Shields, who had been employed as a stenographer in the Reclamation Service. She was born July 10, 1885, and reared on the farm near Vernon, Jennings county, Indiana. Before this marriage Mr. Horner had been transferred to Portland, Oregon, and promoted to chief clerk in the geological survey office. He and his wife have their home at 639 East Fifty-Sixth street, North Portland. A boy was born to them in March, 1911, Charles J., who died in infancy.

Margaret V. Horner, the only daughter of Emanuel M. and Jennie Horner, was born December 23, 1890, in LaGrange county, Indiana, near Orland. She was well educated and for

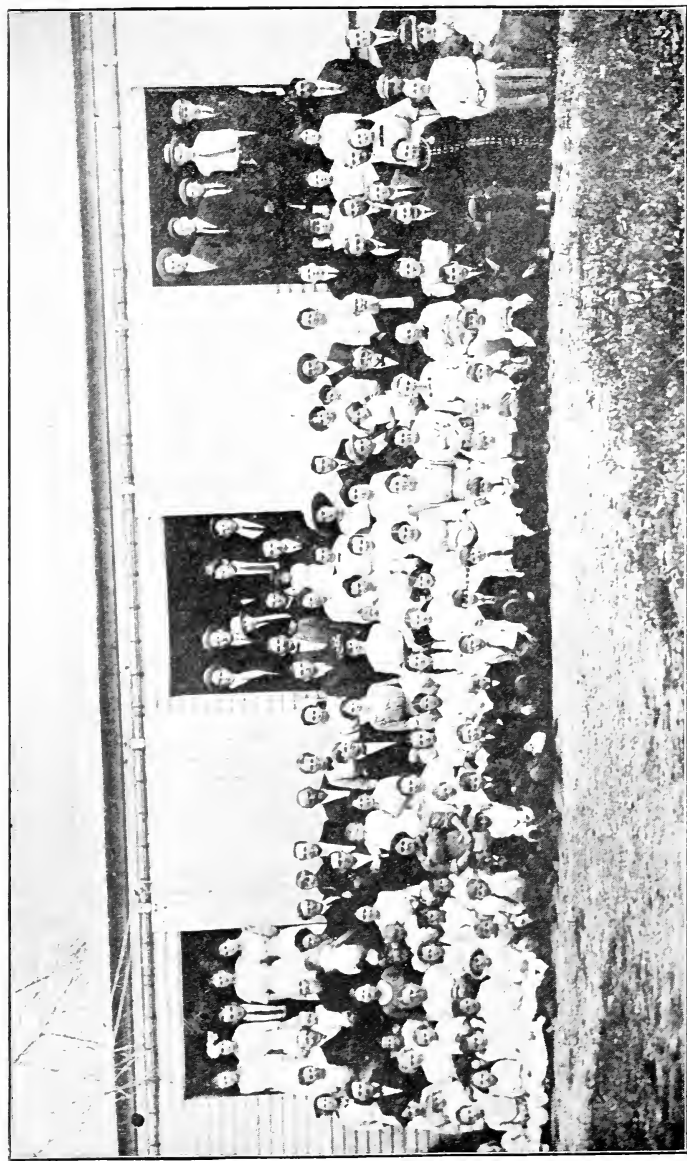
a number of years has been very successful as a school teacher and is also much interested in Sunday school work. She was one year superintendent of the Sunday school at Brighton, Indiana. She is a member of the Brethren church.

Emanuel M. Horner was married to his second wife, Lovina Ohler, of LaGrange county, Indiana, March 2, 1897. She died October 23, 1901, aged thirty-six years, nine months and twenty-three days. To their union one son was born:

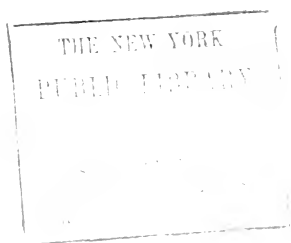
1. Mervil O. Horner.

Mervil O. Horner was born March 3, 1898, near LaGrange, Indiana, the only child of Emanuel M. and Lovina Horner. He was reared in part at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Riley. After the death of the mother, Emanuel Horner broke up house keeping and moved to the state of Washington, locating at Sunnyside, Yakima county, where he invested in land and has since made his home, with the exception of a short residence at Seattle and perhaps a year in California.

8. Alpheus A. Horner was born June 13, 1858, in Ashland county, Ohio, the sixth son of Eli and Catherine Horner. March 5, 1885, he was married to Ella Price of Brighton, Indiana. She was born December 10, 1862, near Baltic, Ohio. Her mother was a daughter of George



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and Rebecca Long, who in early life had their homes in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, in the Allegheny mountains. Soon after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Horner located at the town of Brighton, then called Lexington, where they have since lived. Mr. Horner has several small farms and frequently farms on shares. In addition to farming he buys and ships poultry in the late fall and winter. For a number of years he was in mercantile business and kept the post-office. To their union five children have been born:

1. Daisy May Horner, deceased.
2. Cassius Horner.
3. Blanche Horner.
4. Jasper Horner.
5. Bernice Horner.

The parents and children are members of the Brethren church.

Daisy May Horner was born December 5, 1888, at Brighton, LaGrange county, Indiana, the eldest daughter of Alpheus and Ella Horner. She died March 13, 18—.

Daisy, thou art gone to rest!
We will not weep for thee;
For thou hast in heaven
A sweeter home than we.

Cassius Horner was born April 14, 1890, at Brighton, LaGrange county, Indiana, the oldest

son of Alpheus and Ella Horner. He obtained a good education, assisted for some time in his father's store, and spent a few months in Mississippi, where he purchased land. For several years he has been engaged in the bottling business at Sturgis, Michigan, with considerable success. He is unmarried.

Blanche Horner was born September 14, 1892, at Brighton, Indiana. She attended the home school and graduated in the Lima high school, after which, on May 29, 1913, she was married to Zera E. Garlets, a merchant at Mongo, Indiana, doing a prosperous business.

Jasper Horner, the youngest son of Alpheus and Ella Horner, was born at Brighton, Indiana, January 1, 1896. He is an industrious and enterprising young man, living at home and assisting in the farm work.

Bernice Horner, the youngest daughter of Alpheus and Ella Horner, was born at Brighton, Indiana, September 22, 1899. At the time of this publication she is a student in the high school at Lima, Indiana.

9. Milton Eli Horner, son of Eli and Catherine Horner, was born September 9, 1860, near Ashland, Ohio. He moved with his parents, at six years of age, to LaGrange county, Indiana, and received a common school education at and near Brighton, Indiana. In 1883 and 1884 he took a course of practical and orna-

mental penmanship under W. E. Beaty of LaGrange, and in the following winter he taught penmanship to classes in Pretty Prairie, Mongo, and Brighton. In the spring of 1885 he took a trip to Kansas and Missouri, and a business course at W. E. Beaty's business college at Wellington, Kansas. From Wellington he went to Dodge City and Meade county, Kansas, and then to Emporia, where he organized a summer school in penmanship. In the fall of 1885 and later he worked at Fredonia, taught penmanship at Emporia, and farmed at home in Indiana, returning to Fredonia in the winter of 1886. February 22, 1887, he was married to Sadie C. Phiels of Nevada, Missouri, after which he returned to the home of his parents in LaGrange county and engaged in farming. After two years he bought part of the homestead and built a home, which he and his family occupied May 8, 1893. Mrs. Horner died very suddenly February 22, 1902. She was a faithful member of the Brethren church.

Two children were born to Milton Eli and Sadie C. Horner:

1. Perry W. Horner, February 7, 1888.
2. Loa M. Horner, May 8, 1893.

On April 23, 1903, Milton Eli Horner was married to Mrs. Lydia A. Shantz, of Elkhart, Indiana. In the spring of 1911 they moved from the farm to Brighton and engaged in painting, buying in 1913 an acre at the south

of the village and building their present home. Mr. Horner is also employed as manager of the Pretty Prairie Telephone company. He is a member of the Brethren church and a deacon.

Perry W. Horner, son of Milton E. and Sadie C. Horner, married Bernice Anderson and made his home on his father's farm for two years. At this time he is a student in a veterinary college at Chicago.

Loa M. Horner, daughter of Milton E. and Sadie C. Horner, is a well-educated lady and at present is employed as a teacher in the schools at Lima, Indiana. She is a member of the Brethren church.

10. Irvin Oscar Horner was born June 29, 1863, in Ashland county, Ohio, near the village of Orange, the eighth son of Eli and Catherine Horner. He received a good common school education, and gave considerable attention to penmanship, which he taught in his home neighborhood and for a while in Kansas. In his youth he spent some time in eastern and western states, visiting with relatives. He worked on the home farm for several years after he came of age and on December 12, 1891, was married to Armina M. Phiels of Brighton, Indiana. She was born in Noble county, Indiana, July 11, 1871. Soon after their marriage they built them a home on a part of the old homestead, which he bought from his father, and

there they lived and followed farming for a considerable number of years, finally selling and living on rented farms.

Mrs. Horner died April 14, 1902. She was a member of the Brethren church. Her death was a great affliction to Mr. Horner and his four children, all quite young. The children were given homes by his brothers and sisters, and Mr. Horner broke up housekeeping until his oldest daughter, Mabel, was able to take charge of the home. His home is now in the village and he is employed in driving a school hack. Mr. Horner is a member of the Brethren church.

The four children of Irvin Oscar and Armina Horner are:

1. Mabel Lucile Horner.
2. Ernest Allen Horner.
3. Cora Ruth Horner.
4. Harold Harrison Horner.

1. Mabel Lucile Horner was born July 25, 1892, near Pigeon river, in Bloomfield township, LaGrange county, Indiana. At the age of fourteen years she assumed the care of the home and the younger children. She is a devoted Christian lady, a member of the Brethren church, and a graduate of the Lima high school.

2. Ernest Allen Horner, son of Irvin O. and Armina Horner, was born near Pigeon river, in Bloomfield township, LaGrange county, Indiana, March 26, 1894. For some time after the

death of his mother he lived in the home of the writer. After attending the common school he graduated at the Lima high school and he is now a student in the school of agriculture at Purdue University. He is a member of the Brethren church.

3. Cora Ruth Horner was born March 28, 1898, in Lima township, LaGrange county, Indiana, near South Twin lake. Since the death of her mother she has had a home with her foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Plank, near Middlebury.

4. Harold Harrison Horner, youngest child of Irvin O. and Armina Horner, was born November 10, 1901, in Lima township, LaGrange county, Indiana, near North Twin lake. He was only a few months old when his mother died and was taken into the home of his uncle and aunt, Joseph and Annah Swihart, where he was well cared for until eight or nine years of age. He is at home with his father and is an industrious and studious boy.

11. Mirton W. Horner was born April 28, 1866, in Ashland county, Ohio, near Orange, the ninth son of Eli and Catherine Horner. He moved to Indiana with his parents when only six months of age. In youth he was reared on the farm and given a good common school education. After he came of age he began to travel and he has spent the most of his manhood in

Nebraska and Kansas, finding occupation on the farms. He is unmarried. He is a man of bright mind and general knowledge, a good observer and a fluent letter writer.

He and his brother Charles left Indiana in 1896 or 1897 and found employment on farms in Nebraska and Kansas. About the year 1907 they bought a farm in Kingman county, Kansas, where they lived three years and managed other farms beside their own. During all this time that part of Kansas suffered from drouth and the two brothers became discouraged and sold their farm. Charles Nuton Horner moved with his family to Fredonia, Kansas, and Mirtin W. Horner for a short time after selling out also lived in eastern Kansas. In the winter of 1914 he came to Indiana, returning in the following July to Nebraska. He now lives near Homesville, Gage county, Nebraska, engaged in farm work. In 1905 or near that date, he spent some months in California.

12. Charles Nuton Horner was born July 25, 1871, near Brighton, LaGrange county, Indiana, the youngest child and tenth son of Eli and Catherine Horner. He is a native Hoosier, grew up on the home farm and was well educated in the common schools. As has been stated, after coming of age he went west with his brother, and located in Greenwood county, Kansas, near Eureka. February 27, 1901, he

was married to Cora A. Sutch, who was born July 29, 1873, at Indianola, Iowa. After their marriage they located in the town of Eureka, and, after some years, Mr. Horner bought a farm of eighty acres near Severy, in Greenwood county. After farming there several years he sold the farm and they moved to Kingman county, and three years later to Fredonia, Kansas, their present home, where they have a comfortable residence. They are both members of the Christian church.

Their children are four daughters:

1. Eveline F. Horner.
2. Margaret C. Horner.
3. Thelma Belle Horner.
4. Esther Naomi Horner.

Evelyn F. Horner was born August 1, 1903, at Eureka, Kansas, the oldest daughter of Charles N. and Cora A. Horner. In the city that is her home there is every opportunity for education, such as a young lady of her ambition would require.

Margaret C. Horner was born September 17, 1907, we suppose in Greenwood county, Kansas. She is the second daughter of Charles N. and Cora A. Horner.

Thelma Belle Horner was born November 6, 1909, in Kingman county, Kansas, near the towns of Murdock and Belmont. This beautiful little girl died of pneumonia, April 20, 1913.

She was buried in the cemetery a mile south of Fredonia.

Dearest, sweetest little Belle, may I tell?
Methinks one can hear the angels tell
Of thine abode, where thou doth dwell—
Oh! dearest, nearest, beloved Belle!

CHAPTER ELEVEN

M OSES HORNER, youngest son of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner, was born August 1, 1823, near the borough of Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. He was reared at the farm home of his parents, having the advantage of only about six months' schooling, but he grew up an intelligent man, sufficiently equipped for ordinary business. He was a farmer in Mount Pleasant township until the year 1846, when he moved to Donegal township, purchasing there a farm of one hundred and thirty acres, which he cultivated quite successfully until his death. Upon this farm he built a very handsome brick residence and made many other valuable improvements, setting out an orchard that contained many fine varieties of apples. A railroad was once surveyed and graded through his land, and at that time he received quite a sum for the right of way, but the road was never completed.

Moses Horner was married June 11, 1844, to Susanna Bistle, who was born December 14, 1824. Four children were born to them:

1. Sarah Lorinda Horner.
2. Noah John Horner.
3. Mary Emma Horner.
4. Annie Catherine Horner.

In politics Moses Horner was a Republican.

He and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and he was a trustee. As a neighbor, business man and citizen Moses Horner stood well with the community in which he lived. He enjoyed traveling. In 1876 he and his wife visited their nephews, David and Harrison Horner, at Philadelphia, and spent several days in the Centennial exposition. After the death of his wife he made several visits with relatives in Indiana, being then over eighty years of age.

Susanna (Bistle) Horner died July 1, 1895, and Moses Horner died March 2, 1907, at the age of eighty-three years, seven months and one day. They were laid to rest in the Stahlstown cemetery, at Stahlstown in Westmoreland county.

Moses Horner and his wife lived on their farm nearly sixty years. After her death his son-in-law moved into the home and he lived with them until his death. In this home the children were raised and taught the value of truth and morality, so that when they were grown they classed with the best people of the community in which they lived.

1. Sarah Lorinda Horner was born May 9, 1845, near Stahlstown, Donegal township, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. She was reared in the home of her parents and on February 15, 1866, was married to Jacob L. Grove

of Westmoreland county. He was born August 2, 1837 and died May 17, 1910.

During the war of the rebellion Mr. Grove volunteered as a soldier in Company E of Colonel Coulter's regiment, the Eleventh Pennsylvania, which was part of the army in Virginia commanded by General McClellan. Mr. Grove was in the military service for eighteen months.

After the death of Mr. Grove Mrs. Grove remained on the farm, and her son, Elmer Grove, farms the place.

To Jacob L. and Sarah L. Grove three children were born:

1. Nettie E. Grove.
2. Noah B. Grove.
3. Elmer Horner Grove.

1. Nettie E. Grove, the only daughter of Jacob L. and Sarah L. Grove, was born March 25, 1867, near Stahlstown, Pennsylvania. She was married to Samuel Sheets of Westmoreland county, who was born June 12, 1867, and they are living, we believe, near Donegal, in that county. To them four children have been born:

1. Sarah E. Sheets, born July 21, 1891.
2. Mamie S. Sheets, November 16, 1893.
3. Elmer R. Sheets, September 26, 1897.
4. Edna M. Sheets, May 18, 1910.

2. Noah B. Grove, the oldest son of Jacob L. and Sarah L. Grove, was born February 15, 1870, near Stahlstown, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. He is a well educated man and

upright and devoted. The writer has had the great pleasure of meeting Mr. Grove several times and has corresponded with him for several years. He is indeed a true friend and a fine christian gentleman. He was married October 17, 1901, to Losinda Hallie Ober, who was born October 7, 1876. Three children have been born to them:

1. Rebecca L. Grove.
2. Ida Maude Grove.
3. Ruth Elizabeth Grove.

Mr. Grove in early manhood taught district school, later obtained a permanent state certificate, then attended business college, and going to Monessen in 1901 he was employed as a stenographer with the Pittsburgh Steel Company for a number of years. His later employment was three years with the American Steel & Wire Company at Banning, and with the Bell Telephone Company of Pittsburgh, the last five years as private secretary to the general superintendent of the Bell Company.

1. Rebecca L. Grove, oldest child of Noah B. and Losinda Grove, was born April 7, 1903.

2. Ida Maude Grove was born on March 21, 1909, and died February 21, 1910.

God calls little children from earth away,
To fill his mansion day by day.
God cares for children better than we,
And gives them in heaven a place to be.

3. Ruth Elizabeth Grove, youngest daughter of Noah B. and Losinda H. Grove, was born at Monesson, July 23, 1912.

3. Elmer Horner Grove, youngest son of Jacob L. and Sarah L. Grove, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. By occupation he is a farmer. He was married June 9, 1904, to Annie M. Ulery, who was born April 30, 1886. To them five children have been born:

1. Louis D. Grove.
2. William H. Grove.
3. Valma L. Grove.
4. Opal M. Grove.
5. Myra M. Grove.

1. Louis D. Grove, oldest son of Elmer H. and Annie M. Grove, was born December 17, 1904, near Stahlstown, Pennsylvania.

2. William H. Grove, second son of Elmer H. and Annie M. Grove, was born near Stahlstown, January 29, 1906.

3. Valma L. Grove was born in December, 1907, near Stahlstown. She is the oldest daughter of Elmer H. and Annie M. Grove.

4. Opal M. Grove was born August 11, 1910, near Stahlstown, Westmoreland county.

5. Myra M. Grove was born July 22, 1912, in Westmoreland county, in a valley between Chestnut ridge and Laurel hill.

2. Noah John Horner, the only son of Moses and Susanna (Bistle) Horner, was born June 16,

1849, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. He obtained a good education in his youth and for a number of years was an efficient and popular teacher in the schools. In June, 1871, or perhaps in 1870, he was married to Cora Leacock of Westmoreland county. They lived on the farm a few years, and after that he was engaged in mercantile business until his death. He did a prosperous and honorable business at Stahlstown, and attained a high place in the estimation of the community. The writer well remembers meeting Mr. and Mrs. Horner at their home in 1872, not long after their marriage, when they lived on the farm near Stahlstown. It was our first and only visit and we remember it with pleasure. For some years we kept up a correspondence.

Six children were born to Noah John and Cora Horner:

1. Burt Horner.
2. Flora Horner.
3. Ira Horner.
4. Mamie Horner.
5. Edna Horner.
6. Ruby Horner.

Noah Horner died April 16, 1900. His widow resides at 26 Maple street, Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

1. Burt Horner was born in Westmoreland county, at the town of Stahlstown, and married Mabel Leathers, date not given.

2. Flora Horner was born in her grandfather's home near Stahlstown. She is unmarried and is at present employed as a stenographer.

3. Ira Horner was born at Stahlstown and is married to an Ohio lady, date and name not given.

4. Mamie Horner was born at Stahlstown, and is married to Walter Steward.

5. Edna Horner was born at Stahlstown, and is at present employed as a school teacher.

6. Ruby Horner was born at Stahlstown and is married to Lyman Wood.

3. Mary Emma Horner was born near Stahlstown, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, November 2, 1855, the second daughter of Moses and Susanna (Bistle) Horner. We are told that she was a flower in the home, but the fond anticipations of her parents were crushed by her death, May 28, 1861, when she was in her sixth year.

4. Annie Catherine Horner was born May 10, 1866, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and died August 18, 1887.

The writer well remembers meeting this dear kinswoman when she was a girl of ten years. She was married June 8, 1886, to Charles H. Bruner.

So ends, up to May 1, 1915, the history of the descendants of Jacob and Catherine (Beeghly) Horner.

In brief, their descendants are as follows:

Ten children.

Fifty-five grand children.

One hundred and ninety great grandchildren.

Two hundred and seventy-one great-great-grandchildren.

And fifty-seven of the sixth generation.

Added by marriage—two hundred and four.

Total of families of descendants, seven hundred and eighty-seven.

Of the fifty-five grandchildren, twenty-eight are yet living and twenty-seven are dead.

CHAPTER TWELVE

JACOB L. MYERS was born February 2, 1836, near Latrobe, Unity township, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania. He was the son of Abraham and Rebecca (Kimmel) Myers of Ligonier Valley, in Westmoreland county. Rebecca Myers was a native of Somerset county. Jacob L. Myers was a farmer in his active years and on retiring he made his home at the city of Mount Pleasant, where he has a valuable property on Main street. In his active days he was one of the energetic and leading farmers of his community.

Jacob L. Myers was married March 3, 1859, to Catherine Horner, who was born May 5, 1842, in Somerset county, the daughter of Daniel and Anna (Mohler) Horner. Anna was the widow of Daniel Horner and became the second wife of Samuel Horner, as previously stated. Daniel Horner was a son of William Horner, and William was a brother of Jacob Horner, the head of the genealogy given in this volume.

Mr. Myers owned in early manhood a very good and productive farm about two miles northwest of Mount Pleasant, where he and his wife reared their family of twelve children. Part of the farm was underlaid with coal, which Mr. Myers sold for quite a large sum of money. Mr. and Mrs. Myers are members of the German

Baptist church (Church of the Brethren) in which they have remained loyal for nearly fifty years. They are quiet, useful people, respected by all with whom they are associated.

To Jacob L. and Catherine Myers twelve children were born:

1. Anna R. Myers.
2. Sarah E. Myers.
3. Cyrus E. Myers.
4. Mary E. Myers.
5. William H. Myers.
6. Abraham H. Myers.
7. Emma C. Myers.
8. Ida M. Myers.
9. Jay C. Myers.
10. Laura B. Myers.
11. Birt S. Myers.
12. Maude L. Myers.

1. Anna R. Myers, oldest daughter of Jacob and Catherine Myers, was born August 28, 1860, in Westmoreland county. Anna was a well-educated and refined young lady, and well spoken of. She married John H. Kimmell on April 10, 1883, and they live at Vandergrift, Pennsylvania. Mr. Kimmel is a contractor.

2. Sarah E. Myers was born November 27, 1862, in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, and died in the year 1866.

3. Cyrus E. Myers, the oldest son of Jacob and Catherine Myers, was born September 18, 1864, and was married April 16, 1889, to Sadie

Kimmel. They are located at Shelocta, Pennsylvania, and engaged in farming.

4. Mary E. Myers, daughter of Jacob and Catherine Myers, was born in Westmoreland county, September 23, 1866. She married Ezra Shoemaker and they are located at New Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

5. William H. Myers, second son of Jacob and Catherine Myers, was born in Westmoreland county, September 10, 1868. He married Mamie Rose, March 25, 1891, and their home is at Parkwood, Indiana county, Pennsylvania.

6. Abraham H. Myers, son of Jacob and Catherine Myers, was born near Mount Pleasant, July 15, 1870. He was married to Manda Butamore, March 22, 1893. He is engaged in farming.

7. Emma C. Myers, daughter of Jacob and vania.

Catherine Myers, was born July 11, 1872 near Mount Pleasant. She was married June 12, 1895, to Jacob E. Parker, who is engaged in mercantile business at Vandergrift, Pennsylv-

8. Ida M. Myers was born near Mount Pleasant, November 14, 1874, and died December 18, 1878, aged four years, one month and four days.

9. Jay C. Myers was born September 15, 1875, in Westmoreland county, and was married, November 18, 1897, to Florence Frick. They live at Ruffsedale, Pennsylvania, where M. Myers is employed in the public works.

10. Laura B. Myers was born July 3, 1878, near Mount Pleasant, the sixth daughter of Jacob and Catherine Myers. She was married April 16, 1902, to John K. Fox, a farmer, living near Mount Pleasant.

11. Birt S. Myers, the youngest son of Jacob and Catherine Myers, was born November 11, 1880, near Mount Pleasant. He was married June 20, 1906, to Amanda Boyede. They reside at Vandergrift, where Mr. Myers is a gardener.

12. Maud L. Myers was born August 5, 1884, near Mount Pleasant. She is the youngest of the children of Jacob and Catherine Myers. The writer and his wife had the pleasure of meeting her in 1907, when she was yet in the home of her parents. She was married April 8, 1908, to Ray S. Stoner, and they moved to Ohio, where they are engaged in farming near Fostoria.

So ends the sketch of Jacob L. and Catherine (Homer) Myers; number of children, twelve; added by marriage, ten; number of grandchildren, thirty-five; whole number, fifty-nine.

We did not receive the names and dates of birth of grandchildren.

CHAPTER THIRTEEN

WILLIAM HORNER, Junior, is here mentioned in a brief sketch. He was a son of William Horner, Senior, who was a brother of Jacob Horner, who was a son of Abraham Horner.

William Horner, Junior, was born April 9, 1825, in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, and died August 10, 1872, aged forty-seven years, three months and twenty-one days.

He was married April 5, 1846, to Catherine Miller, who was born August 20, 1828, and died March 4, 1901.

After the death of William Horner she was married, in July, 1882, to Jonathan Kelso of Carleton, Nebraska. She was a daughter of Joseph L. Miller, who had lived near Myersdale, adjoining the farm of Milton C. Horner, son of William and Catherine Horner.

William and Catherine Horner had three children born to them:

1. Emma Jane Horner.
2. Joseph Horner.
3. Milton C. Horner.

1. Emma Jane Horner was born June 20, 1848, in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, near Myersdale, the only daughter of William and Catherine Horner. She was married to Elias P. Youngkin of Myersdale, on May 4, 1868, and

they made their home at Myersdale. To their union eleven children were born, as follows:

1. Maggie Alberta Youngkin, born at Myersdale, May 20, 1869, died December 14, 1870.

2. Anna Catherine Youngkin, born May 8, 1871, at home at Myersdale, a teacher of designing.

3. William Arthur Youngkin, born November 20, 1872, at Myersdale; married to Elizabeth Hibner and residing at Williams, Pennsylvania, where he is engaged in mercantile business.

4. David Franklin Youngkin, born April 28, 1874, at Myersdale. He married Margaret Kissinger, and they reside at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, where Mr. Youngkin is a civil engineer. Three sons have been born to them:

1. William Franklin Youngkin.

2. John Reynolds Youngkin.

3. Charles Emmet Youngkin.

5. Milton Rutherford Youngkin, born July 28, 1876, at Myersdale, died October 9, 1888.

6. Albert Youngkin, born at Myersdale, July 18, 1878, died May 12, 1880.

7. Roy Elias Youngkin, born March 4, 1884. He married Ida Sally Miller, December 25, 1913, and they live at Erie, Pennsylvania, where Mr. Youngkin is employed as a salesman.

8. Alfred Earl Youngkin, born January 4, 1886, at Myersdale, died November 5, 1888.

9. Henry Clay Youngkin, born November 18, 1888, at Myersdale, now a merchant at that city.

10. George Harrison Youngkin, born March 17, 1891, at Myersdale, died January 27, 1912.

11. Charles Horner Youngkin, youngest of the children of Elias P. and Catherine Horner, was born September 19, 1893, at Myersdale. He is at home with his parents and attending high school.

Elias P. Youngkin died December 7, 1913. Mrs. Youngkin and the children are all members of the Brethren church.

2. Joseph Horner was born March 7, 1850, near Myersdale, and died in 1870, at the age of twenty years, four months and eight days, the victim of an epidemic of typhoid fever.

3. Milton C. Horner, born December 30, 1854, near Myersdale, is the youngest child of William, Junior, and Catherine Miller Horner. After the death of his father he became the owner of the home and farm. In 1906 he had erected one of the finest and largest barns in his neighborhood. Milton C. Horner was married to Mary Livengood of Myersdale, who was born January 28, 1844, and died March 11, 1877.

For his second wife Milton C. Horner married Amanda Gnagy, January 20, 1878. She died July 21, 1886. To them were born three children, as follows:

1. Cora Horner.
2. William Horner.
3. Foster G. Horner.

1. Cora Horner, oldest child of Milton C. and Amanda Horner, was born January 7, 1879, in Somerset county. She married William E. Bittner, of Rockwood, Pennsylvania, at which place they reside. Mr. Bittner is a farmer. To them four children have been born:

1. Mary Bittner.
2. Emmet Bittner.
3. Galen Bittner.
4. Foster Bittner.

2. William Horner, first son of Milton C. and Amanda Horner, was born May 16, 1881, near Myersdale, and died September 8, 1881.

3. Foster G. Horner, youngest of the children of Milton C. and Amanda Horner, was born August 14, 1885. After attending the public schools of Somerset county until he was fifteen years old he took a three years' preparatory course in Juniata college, graduating in 1904. He then taught school in Somerset county four years, after which he returned to Juniata college and took the four-year collegiate course, graduating in 1912. Since then he has been teaching in the Pennsylvania high schools, and in 1915 is teaching science and mathematics in the Tamaqua high school. He has devoted his summers to study in Columbia university, New York, and this year receives from that insti-

tution the degree of A. M. He was married June 23, 1915, to Erma N. Wagner of Tamaqua.

After the death of Milton C. Horner's second wife, he was again married, July 3, 1887, to Maggie Berkley (Uphouse), and to them three children were born, as follows:

1. Catherine M. Horner, born in Somerset county, October 8, 1889.

2. Myers B. Horner, born February 6, 1895, near Myersdale.

3. Galen B. Horner, born April 1, 18—, near Myersdale.

1. Catherine M. Horner, daughter of Milton C. and Maggie Berkley Horner, was married to William H. Bowlby of Somerset county, Pennsylvania, September 8, 1910. He is a farmer, and they live on the farm owned by Milton C. Horner, located about a mile northwest of Myersdale. The writer visited this home in 1872, when William Horner, Junior, and his wife were yet living.

Ending of Chapter Thirteen
Children, three; Grandchildren, eighteen; Great
Grandchildren, seven.

CHAPTER FOURTEEN

MICHAEL S. BEEGHLEY and his descendants are the subject of the following brief sketch.

The father of Michael Beeghley was a son of John Beeghley, who was a brother of Catherine (Beeghley) Horner, whose husband was Jacob Horner.

Michael S. Beeghley was born August 5, 1830, near Myersdale, in Somerset county, Pennsylvania. He married Caroline Mohler, December 23, 1855. She was born December 20, 1831, at Myersdale, youngest daughter of Adolph and Anna Mohler, who came from Germany about the year 1790 or 1795. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Beeghley moved to Wayne county, Ohio, where they engaged in farming. Mrs. Beeghley died August 1, 1862.

To Michael S. and Caroline Beeghley two children were born:

1. Mary Ann Beeghley.
2. Cyrus Calvin Beeghley.

After the death of his wife Mr. Beeghley, with his children, moved to Blackhawk county, Iowa, in 1863, where he bought a farm about four miles south of Waterloo, and there made his home.

January 25, 1866, he was married to Sarah

Myers. She died November 26, 1891. To their marriage two daughters were born:

1. Sarah Clarissa Beeghley.

2. Lillie M. Beeghley.

In course of time Mr. Beeghley sold his home at Waterloo and went to Cherokee county, Iowa, where he invested in a large farm near Aurelia. After some time he sold this to his son, Calvin Beeghley, and went to North Dakota, where he bought a section of land, partly improved. Since the death of his wife he has made his home chiefly with his son, C. C. Beeghley. Michael Beeghley is an uncle of the writer on the maternal side, and the only surviving uncle the writer has. Now, in 1915, he is in his eighty-fifth year. In 1914 this aged man made a trip in California and Washington, spending there part of the year.

1. Mary Ann Beeghley was born December 13, 1856, in Wayne county, Ohio, and was only a few years old when her mother died. Her father took her with him to Iowa in 1863 and she was given the kind attention of her step-mother. When of age she spent two years in Indiana, at the home of the writer's parents, after which she returned to Iowa.

She married George W. Royer, March 3, 1891, at Aurelia, Iowa. Mr. Royer was born February 19, 1858, near Greencastle in Franklin county, Pennsylvania. They made their home near Kingsley, in Plymouth county, Iowa, where Mr.

Royer had bought a very fine and productive farm. After farming for a number of years, they retired and moved to the town of Kingsley, where they had erected a commodious dwelling, their present home. Their children are one son and two daughters:

1. Whitmer W. Royer.
2. Ella Hazel Royer.
3. Kneva L. Royer.

1. Whitman W. Royer was born March 15, 1893, near Kingsley, Iowa, and is now a student in the Iowa State College, at Ames.

2. Ella Hazel Royer was born December 21, 1894, near Kingsley, Iowa, and is a student in school at Kingsley.

3. Kneva L. Royer was born September 3, 1896, near Kingsley, Iowa, the youngest of the children of George W. and Mary Ann Royer. She is now a student in school at Kingsley.

2. Cyrus Calvin Beeghley was born March 8, 1860, in Ashland county, Ohio, in childhood was brought by his father to Iowa, and later moved to Aurelia, in Cherokee county, where he finally became the owner of his father's large and productive farm. He was married, January 10, 1884, to Lovisa Jane Shirey. Mr. Beeghley is a very progressive and practical farmer, feeds a good many hogs and cattle, and in 1914 erected his second barn nearly one hundred feet square.

Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Beeghley, as follows:

1. Albert Ray Beeghley, born October 15, 1884, near Aurelia, Iowa.

2. Pearl May Beeghley, born July 15, 1886, near Aurelia, Iowa.

3. Clyde Morton Beeghley, born July 1, 1889, near Aurelia, Iowa.

4. Glenn Calvin Beeghley, born December 2, 1898, near Aurelia, Iowa.

5. Dale Clifton Beeghley, born July 29, 1907, near Aurelia, Iowa.

1. Sarah Clarissa Beeghley was born May 27, 1869, in Blackhawk county, Iowa, near Waterloo. She is the oldest daughter of Michael and Sarah (Myers) Beeghley. She was married to Simon Montz of Aurelia, Iowa, January 16, 1889, after which they made their home at Frutis, Colorado, and engaged in farming. Mrs. Mountz died in March, 1907.

To them five children were born:

1. Mabel Montz.

2. Ralph Montz.

3. Claude Montz.

4. Beulah Montz.

5. Mildred Montz.

Mildred was born in South Dakota; the others near Aurelia, Iowa.

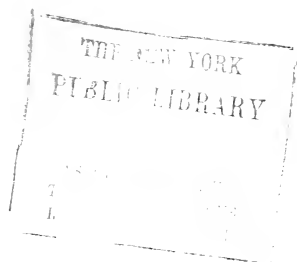
2. Lillie M. Beeghley was born April 13, 1875, in Blackhawk county, Iowa, the youngest of the children of Michael Beeghley and the

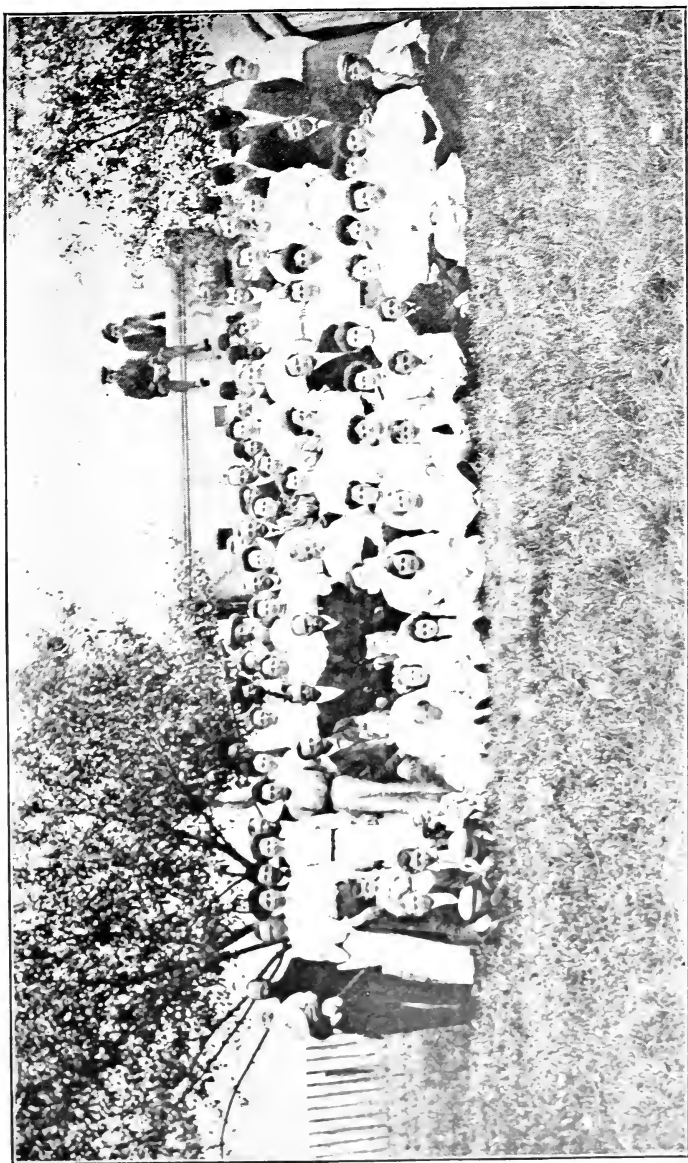
youngest daughter of Sarah (Myers) Beeghley. She was married August 19, 1896, at Aurelia, Iowa, to Mark A. Cornwall, and their home is in North Dakota, where they are engaged in farming.

To them three children have been born, two near Aurelia, and one in North Dakota:

1. Lottie Cornwall.
2. Harold Cornwall.
3. Flossie Cornwall.

So ends this sketch of Michael S. Beeghley and his descendants—four children, sixteen grandchildren and six added by marriage.





Another View (snap shot) of First Horner Reunion

THE FAMILY REUNIONS

THE Horner family is organized for reunion purposes, and these reunions are frequently held. The organization was begun on August 14, 1908.

We find these family reunions very joyful and entertaining and delightful meetings. Family reunions are, or should be, beneficial in many ways. They bring kindred families into intimate and hallowed communion with each other. Each family becomes better acquainted with the others and better known to the others. There are imprinted in our minds the many pleasant greetings, acquaintances made with those we had never met before, and the day so happily spent. The years roll on and we become aged and our locks turn gray and we still rejoice in that day of joyous reunion. The writer very vividly remembers a reunion in Ohio, near Tiffin, in 1887, which he attended, and he often takes pleasure in meditating upon and talking of it.

Should we ever have another opportunity to attend a reunion we will try to be there.

The General Horner Reunions

The first reunion was held on August 14, 1908, at the home of Milton E. and Lydia Horner, near Brighton, LaGrange county, Indiana. Number present, 80.

The second reunion was held at the home of Jeremiah Horner, near Mongo, LaGrange county, Indiana, August 28, 1911. Number present, 88.

The third reunion was held August 24, 1912, at the Lichty home, near Scottdale, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, Present, 160.

The fourth reunion was held at Spelker's Park, Mount Pleasant, Saturday, August 13, 1913. Number present, 168.

Secretary, Mrs. Anna Maud Hixon.

The fifth reunion was to be held in Wood county, Ohio, in 1914, but was postponed. It may be held this year, 1915.

A LAST WORD

IN closing the work of preparing this little volume of history the writer desires to sincerely thank many friends for their records and their willing help in the work of compilation.

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